
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ENDANGERING THE WELFARE OF A MINOR.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. Section 709-903.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsection (1) to read as follows:

3 "(1) Except as provided in subsection (2), a person
4 commits the offense of endangering the welfare of a minor in the
5 first degree if, having care or custody of a minor, the person:

6 (a) Intentionally or knowingly allows another person to
7 inflict serious or substantial bodily injury on the
8 minor; or

9 (b) Intentionally or knowingly causes or permits the minor
10 to inject, ingest [~~methamphetamine~~], or inhale any
11 controlled substance that has not been prescribed by a
12 physician for the minor."

13 SECTION 2. Section 709-904, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
14 amended by amending subsection (1) to read as follows:

15 "(1) Except as provided in section 709-903.5(2), a person
16 commits the offense of endangering the welfare of a minor in the
17 second degree if, having care or custody of a minor, the person:



- 1 (a) Recklessly allows another person to inflict serious or
2 substantial bodily injury on the minor; or
3 (b) Recklessly causes or permits the minor to inject,
4 ingest [~~methamphetamine.~~], or inhale a controlled
5 substance that has not been prescribed by a physician
6 for the minor."

7 SECTION 3. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
8 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
9 begun, before its effective date.

10 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
11 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

12 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007.



Report Title:

Endangering the welfare of a minor.

Description:

Expands the crimes of endangering the welfare of a minor in the first and second degrees to include situations in which an adult causes or permits a minor to inject, ingest, or inhale a controlled substance that was not prescribed by a physician.

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