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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO SAFETY.

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

1	SECTION 1	. The Hawaii Revised Statutes is amended by
2	adding a new c	hapter to be appropriately designated and to read
3	as follows:	
4		"CHAPTER
5	CYBERSAFETY;	COMPUTER TECHNICIANS AND INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDERS
6	§A-1 Fail	ure to report computer child pornography. (a)
7	A person	commits the offense of failure to report computer
8	child pornography if the person:	
9	(1)	is the owner, operator, or employee of an
10		interactive computer service, internet service
11		provider, bulletin board service, or is a
12		computer technician; and either
13	(2)	knowingly fails to notify a law enforcement
14		official having jurisdiction that a subscriber is
15		using the interactive computer service, internet
16		service, or bulletin board service to acquire,
17		possess, solicit, or transmit child pornography,

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or knowingly fails to furnish a copy of that 1 image, or picture, to the law enforcement agency; 2 3 or knowingly fails to keep the image or picture according to law enforcement agency's 4 5 instructions; or knowingly fails to notify a law enforcement 6 (3) official having jurisdiction that through their 7 knowledge or observation, within the scope of 8 9 their professional capacity or employment, of the 10 existence of an electronic visual image, 11 computer-generated image or picture depicting a 12 person that the computer technician has reason to know or believe is a child engaged in child 13 pornography; or knowingly fails to furnish a copy 14 15 of that image or picture, to the law enforcement 16 agency; or knowingly fails to keep the image or 17 picture, according to law enforcement agency's instructions. 18 19 Failure to report computer child pornography is a 20 class C felony. **SA-2 Civil immunity.** (a) If a computer technician 21 22 reports to a law enforcement agency having jurisdiction, their

- 1 knowledge or observation, within the scope of their professional
- 2 capacity or employment, of an electronic visual image, computer-
- 3 generated image or picture depicting a person that the computer
- 4 technician has reason to know or believe is a child engaged in
- 5 child pornography; furnishes a copy of that image or picture to
- 6 the law enforcement agency; or keeps the image, picture, or
- 7 sound recording according to law enforcement agency's
- 8 instructions, both of the following shall apply:
- 9 (1) The identity of the computer technician shall be
- 10 confidential, subject to disclosure only with
- 11 their consent or by judicial process; and
- 12 (2) If the computer technician acted in good faith,
- they shall be immune from civil liability that
- 14 might otherwise be incurred by their actions.
- This immunity extends only to acts described in
- 16 this section.
- 17 (b) If the owner, operator, or employee of an interactive
- 18 computer service, internet service provider, or bulletin board
- 19 service reports to a law enforcement agency having jurisdiction,
- 20 their knowledge or observation, that a subscriber is using the
- 21 interactive computer service, internet service, or bulletin
- 22 board service to acquire, possess, solicit, or transmit child



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2	image or picture depicting a person that the owner, operator, or	
3	employee of an interactive computer service, internet service	
4	provider, or bulletin board service has reason to know or	
5	believe is a child engaged in child pornography, furnishes a	
6	copy of that image or picture to the law enforcement agency or	
7	keeps the image or picture according to law enforcement agency's	
8	instructions, both of the following shall apply:	
9	(1) The identity of the owner, operator, or employee	
10	of an interactive computer service, internet	
11	service provider, or bulletin board service shall	
12	be confidential, subject to disclosure only with	

1 pornography of an electronic visual image, computer-generated

(2) If the owner, operator, or employee of an interactive computer service, internet service provider, or bulletin board service acted in good faith, they shall be immune from civil liability that might otherwise be incurred by their actions. This immunity extends only to acts described in this section.

their consent or by judicial process; and

21 §A-3 Definitions. As used in this chapter:

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         "Child pornography" means any pornographic visual
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    representation, including any photograph, film, video, picture,
    or computer or computer-generated image or picture, whether made
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    or produced by electronic, mechanical, or other means, of sexual
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    conduct, if:
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              The pornographic production of such visual
        (a)
              representation involves the use of a minor engaging in
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              sexual conduct; or
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        (b)
              The pornographic visual representation has been
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              created, adapted, or modified to appear that an
              identifiable minor is engaging in sexual conduct.
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         "Computer technician" means a person who installs,
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    maintains, troubleshoots, upgrades, or repairs computer
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    hardware, software, personal computer networks, or peripheral
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    equipment.
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         "Information content provider" means any person or entity
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    that is responsible, in whole or in part, for the creation or
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    development of information provided through the internet or any
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    other interactive computer service.
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         "Interactive computer service" means any information
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    system, service, or access software provider that provides or
    enables computer access by multiple users to a computer server,
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- 1 including specifically a service or system that provides service
- 2 to the internet.
- 3 "Internet" means collectively the myriad of computer and
- 4 telecommunications facilities, including equipment and operating
- 5 software that comprise the interconnected world-wide network of
- 6 networks that employ the Transmission Control Protocol/Internet
- 7 Protocol, or any predecessor or successor protocols to that
- 8 protocol, to communicate information of all kinds by wire or
- 9 radio.
- "Internet service provider" or "provider" means any person,
- 11 business or organization qualified to do business in this State
- 12 that provides individuals, corporations, or other entities with
- 13 the ability to connect to the internet through equipment that is
- 14 located in this State."
- 15 SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY:

Report Title:

Public safety

Description:

Mandates that internet service providers and computer technicians report incidents of child pornography discovered during their course of business. Provides civil immunity for good faith disclosure to law enforcement authorities.