

## GOV. MSG. NO. 1109

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DAVID Y. IGE GOVERNOR

June 24, 2021

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi, President and Members of the Senate Thirty First State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813 The Honorable Scott K. Saiki, Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives Thirty First State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on June 24, 2021, the following bill was signed into law:

SB834 SD1 HD2 CD1

RELATING TO CHILDLIKE SEX DOLLS ACT 067 (21)

Sincerely,

DAVID Y. TGE Governor, State of Hawai'i

## On \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 2 4 2021

THE SENATE THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE, 2021 STATE OF HAWAII

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## ACT067 S.B. NO. <sup>834</sup> <sup>S.D. 1</sup> <sup>H.D. 2</sup> <sup>C.D. 1</sup>

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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CHILDLIKE SEX DOLLS.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the widespread 2 availability of childlike sex dolls enables the exploitation, objectification, abuse, and sexual assault of minors. Childlike 3 4 sex dolls are designed to look and feel as lifelike as possible. 5 The physical features of these dolls resemble those of minor 6 children; some dolls are accompanied by accessories such as wigs 7 and false eyelashes. Childlike sex dolls may have robotic 8 properties that simulate a real child's emotions such as sadness 9 or fear and may also include a programmable "rape function". 10 The legislature recognizes that possession of a childlike sex doll correlates with other offenses perpetrated against 11 12 children. For example, in the United Kingdom, where multiple 13 shipments of childlike sex dolls have been seized by border 14 patrol agents, investigators found that in many cases the dolls 15 were addressed to individuals committing other offenses 16 involving harm to children. Similarly, a Johns Hopkins School 17 of Medicine paraphilia researcher has opined that contact with a

18 childlike sex doll is likely to reinforce pedophilic thoughts 2021-2742 SB834 CD1 SMA.doc

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and cause those thoughts to be acted upon with greater urgency.
Moreover, the legislature believes that some users of childlike
sex dolls will reach a point where interaction with a doll is no
longer satisfactory and thus attempt to engage in sexual
activities with a human child.

6 The legislature also finds that other jurisdictions have 7 taken action to help protect minors from the harm associated 8 with childlike sex dolls. Florida and Tennessee have enacted 9 laws that impose criminal penalties for selling or possessing a 10 childlike sex doll. Similar measures were introduced in the 11 legislatures of Georgia and New Jersey in 2020. Further, 12 measures criminalizing the importation, transportation, sale, 13 and possession of childlike sex dolls have been introduced in 14 the United States Congress in recent years. A current example 15 is H.R. 8236, also known as the "Curbing Realistic Exploitative Electronic Pedophilic Robots Act 2.0" (CREEPER Act 2.0), which 16 17 was introduced in the House of Representatives on September 14, 18 2020.

19 The purpose of this Act is to establish the felony offense20 of importation, sale, or possession of a childlike sex doll.

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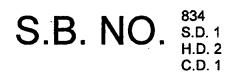
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### S.B. NO. <sup>834</sup> S.D. 1 H.D. 2 C.D. 1

1	SECT	ION 2. Chapter 712, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended b	y adding a new section to part II to be appropriately
3	designate	d and to read as follows:
4	" <u>§71</u>	2- Importation, sale, or possession of a childlike
5	sex doll.	(1) A person commits the offense of importation,
6	sale, or	possession of a childlike sex doll if the person
7	intention	ally, knowingly, or recklessly:
8	<u>(a)</u>	Imports or causes to be imported into the State one or
9		more childlike sex dolls;
10	(b)	Sells, offers to sell, distributes, or otherwise
11		provides to another person one or more childlike sex
12		<u>dolls; or</u>
13	<u>(c)</u>	Possesses one or more childlike sex dolls.
14	(2)	The importation, sale, or possession of one childlike
15	sex doll	is a misdemeanor.
16	(3)	The importation, sale, or possession of two to five
17	childlike	sex dolls is a class C felony.
18	(4)	The importation, sale, or possession of more than five
19	childlike	sex dolls is a class B felony.
20	(5)	For purposes of this section, "childlike sex doll"
21	means a d	oll, mannequin, or robot that is intended for sexual

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1	stimulation, gratification, or perversion and that has the
2	features of, or features that resemble those of, a person below
3	the age of puberty."
4	SECTION 3. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
5	matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
6	begun before its effective date.
7	SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored.
8	SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

APPROVED this 2 4 day of JUN , 2021

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

S.B. No. 834, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1

## THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

Date: April 27, 2021 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the Senate

of the Thirty-First Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2021.

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Clerk of the Senate

### THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: April 27, 2021 Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Thirty-First Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2021.

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Scott K. Saiki Speaker House of Representatives

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