

1-1 By: Schatzline, et al. (Senate Sponsor - King) H.B. No. 1443
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 12, 2025;
1-3 May 12, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on Criminal
1-4 Justice; May 21, 2025, reported favorably by the following vote:
1-5 Yeas 6, Nays 0; May 21, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-7		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	Flores	X			
1-9	Parker	X			
1-10	Hagenbuch	X			
1-11	Hinojosa of Hidalgo	X			
1-12	Huffman			X	
1-13	King	X			
1-14	Miles	X			

1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to creating the criminal offense of promotion or
1-18 possession of a child-like sex doll.

1-19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-20 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 43, Penal Code, is amended
1-21 by adding Section 43.231 to read as follows:

1-22 Sec. 43.231. PROMOTION OR POSSESSION OF CHILD-LIKE SEX
1-23 DOLL. (a) In this section, "child-like sex doll" means an obscene,
1-24 anatomically correct doll, mannequin, or robot that has the
1-25 features of a child and that is intended to be used for sexual
1-26 stimulation or gratification.

1-27 (b) A person commits an offense if the person knowingly:

1-28 (1) promotes a child-like sex doll;

1-29 (2) possesses, with the intent to promote, a
1-30 child-like sex doll; or

1-31 (3) possesses a child-like sex doll.

1-32 (c) An offense under Subsection (b)(1) is a felony of the
1-33 second degree.

1-34 (d) An offense under Subsection (b)(2) is a felony of the
1-35 third degree.

1-36 (e) An offense under Subsection (b)(3) is a state jail
1-37 felony.

1-38 (f) A person who possesses two or more child-like sex dolls
1-39 is presumed to possess the dolls with the intent to promote the
1-40 dolls.

1-41 (g) It is an affirmative defense to prosecution under this
1-42 section that the actor possesses or promotes a child-like sex doll
1-43 for a bona fide law enforcement purpose.

1-44 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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