

AN ACT

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

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

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

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

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

(1) promotes a child-like sex doll;

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

(3) possesses a child-like sex doll.

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

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

(e) An offense under Subsection (b)(3) is a state jail felony.

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

1 dolls.

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

5 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

H.B. No. 1443

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1443 was passed by the House on May 10, 2025, by the following vote: Yeas 130, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1443 was passed by the Senate on May 23, 2025, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor