By: Schatzline H.B. No. 1443

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 1443:

By: Louderback C.S.H.B. No. 1443

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to creating the criminal offense of promotion or

- 3 possession of a child-like sex doll.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 43, Penal Code, is amended
- 6 by adding Section 43.231 to read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 43.231. PROMOTION OR POSSESSION OF CHILD-LIKE SEX
- 8 DOLL. (a) In this section, "child-like sex doll" means an obscene,
- 9 anatomically correct doll, mannequin, or robot that has the
- 10 features of a child and that is intended to be used for sexual
- 11 stimulation or gratification.
- 12 (b) A person commits an offense if the person knowingly:
- 13 (1) promotes a child-like sex doll;
- 14 (2) possesses, with the intent to promote, a
- 15 child-like sex doll; or
- 16 (3) possesses a child-like sex doll.
- 17 (c) An offense under Subsection (b)(1) is a felony of the
- 18 second degree.
- 19 (d) An offense under Subsection (b)(2) is a felony of the
- 20 third degree.
- (e) An offense under Subsection (b)(3) is a state jail
- 22 felony.
- 23 (f) A person who possesses two or more child-like sex dolls
- 24 is presumed to possess the dolls with the intent to promote the

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- 1 dolls.
- 2 <u>(g)</u> It is an affirmative defense to prosecution under this
- 3 <u>section that the actor possesses or promotes a child-like sex doll</u>
- 4 for a bona fide law enforcement purpose.
- 5 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.