H.B. No. 1810 1-1 By: Dale, Moody, Fallon (Senate Sponsor - Buckingham) (In the Senate - Received from the House May 10, 2017; 1-2 1-3 May 10, 2017, read first time and referred to Committee on Criminal Justice; May 17, 2017, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0; May 17, 2017, sent to printer.) 1-4 1-5 1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE 1-7 1-8 Absent PNV Yea Nay 1-9 Whitmire Χ 1-10 1-11 Huffman Birdwell 1-12 Burton X 1-13 Creighton Χ 1-14 Garcia Χ 1**-**15 1**-**16 Hughes X Menéndez 1-17 Perry 1-18 1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT 1-20 relating to the creation of the offense of possession or promotion 1-21 of lewd visual material depicting a child. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 43, Penal Code, is amended 1-22 Sec. 43.262. POSSESSION OK FROM MATERIAL DEPICTING CHILD. (a) In this section:

(1) "Promote" and "sexual conduct" have the meanings 1-24 by adding Section 43.262 to read as follows: 1-25 1-26 1 - 271-28 "Visual material" has the meaning assigned by 1-29 Section $43.\overline{26}$. 1-30 1-31 (b) A person commits an offense if the person knowingly 1-32 accesses with intent to view, or possesses, promotes visual 1-33 material that: depicts the lewd exhibition of the genitals or 1-34 (1)pubic area of an unclothed, partially clothed, or clothed child who 1-35 1-36 is younger than 18 years of age at the time the visual material was created; 1-37 1-38 appeals to the prurient interest in sex; and 1-39 (3) has no serious literary, artistic, political, or scientific value. 1-40 1-41 (c) An offense under this section is a state jail felony, the offense is:
(1) a felony of the third degree if it is shown on the 1-42 except that 1-43 1-44

trial of the offense that the person has been previously convicted one time of an offense under this section or Section 43.26; and

(2) a felony of the second degree if it is shown on the

(2) a felony of the second degree if it is shown on the trial of the offense that the person has been previously convicted two or more times of an offense under this section or Section 43.26.

(d) It is not a defense to prosecution under this section that the depicted child consented to the creation of the visual material.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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