
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO INTERNET CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that between 8,900 and
2 10,500 children, ages 13 to 17, are commercially exploited each
3 year in the United States. Researchers at the University of
4 Massachusetts in Boston performed a Google trend analysis on the
5 topic of "teen porn" and results showed that searches for "teen
6 porn" tripled between 2005-2013. In March 2013, total searches
7 for teen-related porn reached an estimated 500,000 hits daily,
8 which was the equivalent of about one-third of total daily porn
9 searches. The demand and exposure to child pornography has been
10 proven to put individuals at increased risk of committing
11 illicit sexual offenses against children.

12 The legislature finds that child pornography is a public
13 health risk that contributes to increases in child sex
14 trafficking and abuse. The purpose of this Act is to mitigate
15 child exploitation on the internet by providing additional funds
16 to the Hawaii Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force to



H.B. NO. 1161

Report Title:

Child Pornography; Online Safety; Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force; Attorney General; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates funds for the establishment of four full-time equivalent (4.0 FTE) permanent level 5 investigators and three full-time equivalent (3.0 FTE) permanent investigative analyst positions within the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force in the Department of the Attorney General.

The summary description of legislation appearing on this page is for informational purposes only and is not legislation or evidence of legislative intent.

