

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO GENDER IDENTITY.

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

1	SECTIO	N 1. Chapter 453J, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is	
2	amended by	amending its title to read as follows:	
3		"[+]Chapter 453J]+]	
4	SEXUAL ORIENTATION CHANGE EFFORTS		
5	AND GENDER IDENTITY CHANGE EFFORTS."		
6	SECTIO	N 2. Section 453J-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is	
7	amended to read as follows:		
8	"[+]§453J-1[+] Sexual orientation change efforts and		
9	gender identity change efforts prohibited; advertising		
10	prohibited.	(a) No person who is licensed to provide	
11	professional counseling shall:		
12	(1) E	ngage in or attempt to engage in sexual orientation	
13	С	hange efforts or gender identity change efforts on a	
14	р	erson under eighteen years of age; or	
15	(2) A	dvertise the offering of sexual orientation change	
16	е	fforts or gender identity change efforts on a person	
17	u	nder eighteen years of age.	

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- 1 (b) Any person who is licensed to provide professional
- 2 counseling who engages in or attempts to engage in the offering
- 3 of sexual orientation change efforts or gender identity change
- 4 efforts on a person under eighteen years of age shall be subject
- 5 to disciplinary action by the appropriate professional licensing
- 6 authority.
- 7 (c) For purposes of this section:
- 8 "Advertise" means a communication made by or on behalf of a
- 9 person who is licensed to provide professional counseling, made
- 10 for the purpose of inducing or promoting a professional
- 11 counseling relationship in which sexual orientation change
- 12 efforts or gender identity change efforts will be undertaken on
- 13 a person under the age of eighteen. "Advertise" includes oral,
- 14 written, graphic, or pictorial statements or representations,
- 15 including those made through any electronic or print medium.
- "Gender identity change efforts" means the practice of
- 17 attempting to change a person's gender identity, including but
- 18 not limited to gender expressions and behaviors.
- "Gender identity change efforts" shall not include
- 20 counseling supporting a person seeking to transition from one
- 21 gender identity to another.



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1	"Person who is licensed to provide professional counseling			
2	means a person who performs counseling as part of the person's			
3	professional training, including a physician, especially one			
4	practicing psychiatry, licensed pursuant to chapter 453;			
5	psychologist licensed pursuant to chapter 465; nurse licensed			
6	pursuant to chapter 457; social worker licensed pursuant to			
7	chapter 467E; licensed mental health counselor licensed pursuant			
8	to chapter 453D; or licensed marriage and family therapist			
9	licensed pursuant to chapter 451J.			
10	"Sexual orientation change efforts" means the practice of			
11	attempting to change a person's sexual orientation, including			
12	but not limited to efforts to change [gender identity or] gender			
13	expressions and behaviors; or to reduce or eliminate sexual or			
14	romantic attractions or feelings toward a person of the same			
15	gender.			
16	"Sexual orientation change efforts or gender identity			
17	change efforts" shall not include counseling [supporting a			
18	person seeking to transition from one gender to another or			
19	counseling] that:			
20	(1) Provides acceptance, support, and understanding of a			

person or facilitates a person's coping, social

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1		support, and sexual orientation or gender identity
2		exploration and development, including [sexual
3		orientation neutral] interventions to prevent or
4		address unlawful conduct or unsafe sexual practices;
5		and
6	(2)	Does not seek to change sexual orientation, gender
7		identity, or gender expression."
8	SECT	ION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
9	and stric	ken. New statutory material is underscored.
10	SECT	ION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2019.

INTRODUCED BY:

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Report Title:

Gender Identity Change Efforts; Chapter 453J, Hawaii Revised Statutes

Description:

Prohibits both sexual orientation and gender identity change efforts under Chapter 453J, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

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