

# S.B. NO. 1428

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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MANUFACTURED HEMP PRODUCTS.

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

1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to prohibit the sale  
2 or offer for sale or distribution of manufactured hemp products  
3 to individuals under the age of twenty-one, thereby protecting  
4 public health and ensuring responsible consumption of hemp-  
5 derived products.

6 SECTION 2. Chapter 328G, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
7 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated  
8 and to read as follows:

9 "§328G- Manufactured hemp product; sale to persons  
10 under twenty-one prohibited. (a) No person shall sell or offer  
11 for sale or distribution any manufactured hemp product to any  
12 individual under the age of twenty-one years.

13 (b) No retailer shall sell manufactured hemp products  
14 except in direct face-to-face or online direct shipment  
15 exchanges between the retailer and a consumer.

16 (c) A retailer shall verify the age of any individual  
17 attempting to purchase manufactured hemp products by checking a  
18 valid government-issued photo identification; provided that an

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1 online retailer shall either obtain a copy of a valid  
2 government-issued photo identification or use an age-  
3 verification service to check a valid government-issued photo  
4 identification before selling any manufactured hemp products.

5 (d) Any manufactured hemp products offered for sale shall  
6 be displayed or stored:

7 (1) Behind a sales counter or in any other area of the  
8 establishment that is inaccessible to the public; or

9 (2) In a locked container.

10 (e) A retailer shall prominently display a notice on its  
11 premises and website indicating that the sale of manufactured  
12 hemp products to anyone under the age of twenty-one years is  
13 prohibited.

14 (f) Any person who violates this section shall be fined  
15 pursuant to section 328G-6.

16 (g) For the purpose of this section, "retailer" means a  
17 person who engages in the practice of selling manufactured hemp  
18 products to consumers. "Retailer" includes its agents and  
19 employees."

20 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

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1 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY: *Wm A. M.*

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BY REQUEST

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**Report Title:**

Department of Health; Manufactured Hemp Products; Minimum Age; Prohibition

**Description:**

Establishes a minimum age requirement for the sale of manufactured hemp products.

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JUSTIFICATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Health

TITLE: A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MANUFACTURED HEMP PRODUCTS.

PURPOSE: To prohibit the sale or offer for sale or distribution of manufactured hemp products to individuals under the age of twenty-one, thereby protecting public health and ensuring responsible consumption of hemp-derived products.

MEANS: Add a new section to chapter 328G, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS).

JUSTIFICATION: The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends against using hemp-derived products for children due to the presence of cannabidiol in them. Hemp-derived products may also contain tetrahydrocannabinol or other intoxicating cannabinoids, which can prove detrimental to developing brains.

Impact on the public: The bill will prevent the sale of manufactured hemp products to individuals under the age of twenty-one, thereby protecting public health and ensuring responsible consumption of hemp-derived products.

Impact on the department and other agencies: The Department will adopt administrative rules to enforce this section.

GENERAL FUND: None.

OTHER FUNDS: None.

PPBS PROGRAM DESIGNATION: HTH 560.

OTHER AFFECTED AGENCIES: Department of the Attorney General.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon approval.