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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO DANGEROUS DRUGS.

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

1           SECTION 1. Section 712-1241, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by amending subsection (1) to read as follows:

3           "(1) A person commits the offense of promoting a dangerous  
4 drug in the first degree if the person knowingly:

5           (a) Possesses one or more preparations, compounds,  
6 mixtures, or substances of an aggregate weight of:

7           (i) One ounce or more, containing methamphetamine,  
8 heroin, morphine, fentanyl, or cocaine or any of  
9 their respective salts, isomers, and salts of  
10 isomers; or

11           (ii) One and one-half ounce or more, containing one or  
12 more of any of the other dangerous drugs;

13           (b) Distributes:

14           (i) Twenty-five or more capsules, tablets, ampules,  
15 dosage units, or syrettes containing one or more  
16 dangerous drugs; or



- 1           (ii) One or more preparations, compounds, mixtures, or
- 2                       substances of an aggregate weight of:
- 3                       (A) One-eighth ounce or more, containing
- 4                               methamphetamine, heroin, morphine, fentanyl,
- 5                               or cocaine or any of their respective salts,
- 6                               isomers, and salts of isomers; or
- 7                       (B) Three-eighths ounce or more, containing any
- 8                               other dangerous drug;
- 9           (c) Distributes any dangerous drug in any amount to a
- 10                       minor except for methamphetamine; or
- 11           (d) Manufactures a dangerous drug in any amount, except
- 12                       for methamphetamine; provided that this subsection
- 13                       shall not apply to any person registered under
- 14                       section 329-32."

15           SECTION 2. Section 712-1242, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is

16 amended by amending subsection (1) to read as follows:

- 17           "(1) A person commits the offense of promoting a dangerous
- 18 drug in the second degree if the person knowingly:
- 19           (a) Possesses twenty-five or more capsules, tablets,
  - 20                       ampules, dosage units, or syrettes, containing one or
  - 21                       more dangerous drugs;



- 1 (b) Possesses one or more preparations, compounds,
- 2 mixtures, or substances of an aggregate weight of:
- 3 (i) One-eighth ounce or more, containing
- 4 methamphetamine, heroin, morphine, fentanyl, or
- 5 cocaine or any of their respective salts,
- 6 isomers, and salts of isomers; or
- 7 (ii) One-fourth ounce or more, containing any
- 8 dangerous drug; or
- 9 (c) Distributes any dangerous drug in any amount."

10 SECTION 3. This Act does not affect rights and duties that  
11 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were  
12 begun before its effective date.

13 SECTION 4. If any provision of this Act, or the  
14 application thereof to any person or circumstance, is held  
15 invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or  
16 applications of the Act that can be given effect without the  
17 invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions  
18 of this Act are severable.

19 SECTION 5. New statutory material is underscored.





# S.B. NO. 279

**Report Title:**

Honolulu Prosecuting Attorney Package; Criminal Offenses;  
Offenses Relating to Drugs and Intoxicating Compounds; Fentanyl

**Description:**

Conforms fentanyl to the possession offense thresholds for  
methamphetamine, heroin, morphine, and cocaine.

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