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**TAKE ACTION:** By the time you read this insert, the bill will already have been heard the House Judiciary Committee. If passed, it will move to the House Finance Committee where another hearing will be held. Go online to: <http://www.hawaiifamilyforum.org> to see current status of bill and download a copy of our position statement.

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This bill requires child pornographers to register as sex offenders. This registration was previously law in Hawaii but was struck down by the Hawaii State Supreme Court in a ruling that stated it violated the privacy rights of the sex offender. It is currently pending hearing by the House Judiciary Committee. HFF **SUPPORTS** this legislation.

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