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**APLA Health Public Statement on the California Safer Sex in the Adult Film Industry Act
(Proposition 60)**

The stated purpose of Proposition 60 is to protect performers in the adult film industry and reduce the spread of HIV and other sexually transmitted infections. If approved by voters, the initiative would require that condoms be used during the production of all adult films in California. The initiative would also impose liability on adult film producers, distributors, performers, and talent agents for violations.

APLA Health strongly supports safer sex practices in the adult film industry, and the California Division of Occupational Safety and Health already requires that condoms be used during the production of adult films. APLA Health opposes this initiative because it will not protect adult film performers as intended. Instead, it will subject performers and producers to lawsuits and drive the adult film industry underground or to places that offer few protections for workers. The measure also completely ignores recent developments in HIV biomedical prevention, such as Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP).

Efforts to update safety protocols in the adult film industry should be a collaborative process that includes public health experts, state regulatory agencies, producers, and performers. APLA Health remains committed to working jointly with all groups to ensure the health and safety of all those who are involved in the production of adult films in California.

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