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18-5601: INTERSTATE TRAFFICKING IN PROSTITUTION

Any person who imports persons into this state, or who exports persons from this state, for the purpose of prostitution, or any person who induces, entices or procures such activity, shall be guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for a period of not less than two (2) years nor more than twenty (20) years, or by a fine of not less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000), nor more than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), or by both such fine and imprisonment.

18-5602: PROCUREMENT -- DEFINITION AND PENALTY

Any person who induces, compels, entices, or procures another person to engage in acts as a prostitute shall be guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for a period of not less than two (2) years nor more than twenty (20) years, or by a fine of not less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) nor more than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), or by both such fine and imprisonment.

18-5603: RECEIVING PAY FOR PROCUREMENT

Any person who knowingly receives money or any object of value to procure a prostitute shall be guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for a period of not less than two (2) years nor more than twenty (20) years, or by a fine of not less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) nor more than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), or by both such fine and imprisonment.

18-5604: PAYING FOR PROCUREMENT

Any person who pays another money or any object of value to procure a third person to engage in prostitution shall be guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not less than two (2) years nor more than twenty (20) years, or by a fine of not less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) nor more than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), or by both such fine and imprisonment.

18-5605: DETENTION FOR PROSTITUTION

Anyone who holds, detains, or restrains, or who attempts to hold, detain or restrain another person for the purpose of compelling such person to engage in prostitution shall be guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not less than two (2) years nor more than twenty (20) years, or by a fine of not less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) nor more than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), or by both such fine and imprisonment.

18-5606: ACCEPTING EARNINGS OF PROSTITUTE

(1) Any person who shall knowingly accept or appropriate any money or item of value from the

proceeds or earnings of any person engaged in prostitution as part of a joint venture with such person shall be guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for a period of not less than two (2) years nor more than twenty (20) years, or by a fine of not less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) nor more than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), or by both such fine and imprisonment.

(2) As defined in this section "joint venture" is an undertaking by two (2) or more persons jointly to carry out a single business enterprise involving one or more transactions for profit. Such joint venture can be created by oral agreement or may be inferred from acts or conduct.

#### 18-5608: HARBORING PROSTITUTES

Any person maintaining, controlling or supporting a house of prostitution as defined in this chapter, shall be guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not less than two (2) years nor more than twenty (20) years, or by a fine of not less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) nor more than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), or by both such fine and imprisonment.

#### 18-5609: INDUCING PERSON UNDER EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE INTO PROSTITUTION -- PENALTIES

Every person who induces or attempts to induce a person under the age of eighteen (18) years to engage in prostitution shall be guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment in the state penitentiary for a period of not less than two (2) years, which may be extended to life imprisonment, or by a fine not exceeding fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), or by both such fine and imprisonment.

#### 18-5611: INDUCING PERSON UNDER EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE TO PATRONIZE A PROSTITUTE -- PENALTIES

Any person who induces or attempts to induce a person under the age of eighteen (18) years to patronize a prostitute shall be guilty of a felony.

#### 18-5613: PROSTITUTION

(1) A person is guilty of prostitution when he or she: (a) engages in or offers or agrees to engage in sexual conduct, or sexual contact with another person in return for a fee; or (b) is an inmate of a house of prostitution; or (c) loiters in or within view of any public place for the purpose of being hired to engage in sexual conduct or sexual contact.

(2) Prostitution is a misdemeanor, provided, however, that on a third or subsequent conviction for prostitution, it shall be a felony.

(3) Definitions:

(a) "Sexual conduct" means sexual intercourse or deviate sexual intercourse.

(b) "Sexual contact" means any touching of the sexual organs or other intimate parts of a person not married to the actor for the purpose of arousing or gratifying the sexual desire of either party.

(c) "House of prostitution" means a place where prostitution or promotion of prostitution is regularly carried on by one (1) or more persons under the control, management or supervision of another.

(d) "Inmate" means a person who engages in prostitution in or through an agency of a house of prostitution.

(e) "Public place" means any place to which the public or any substantial group thereof has access.

#### 18-5614: PATRONIZING A PROSTITUTE

(1) A person is guilty of patronizing a prostitute when he or she:

(a) Pays or offers or agrees to pay another person a fee for the purpose of engaging in an act of sexual conduct or sexual contact;

(b) Enters or remains in a house of prostitution for the purpose of engaging in sexual conduct or sexual contact.

(2) Patronizing a prostitute is a misdemeanor, provided that a third or subsequent conviction therefor shall be a felony.