

HOUSE REPUBLICAN STAFF ANALYSIS

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Human Trafficking

- Creates a Human Trafficking group to make recommendations to the legislature.
- Amends definition of human trafficking.
- Extends the statute of limitations for juvenile victims of human trafficking.

Section by Section Analysis

Section 1- Department of Public Safety- Office to Combat Human Trafficking (80.45)

Creates an annual meeting with stakeholders to develop legislative proposals to combat human trafficking. The group shall submit reports for five years.

Section 2- Juvenile Justice- Definitions (232.2)

Defines commercial sexual exploitation- a range of crimes and activities involving sexual abuse or exploitation of a child for financial benefit or anything of value.

Section 3- Juvenile Justice- Intake (232.28)

Court shall order every complaint to be reviewed using a standardized human trafficking indicator list. If an indicator is found, the court may order the child to be screened for commercial sexual exploitation using a standardized, evidence based, trauma-informed screening tool.

Section 4- Juvenile Justice- Duties of the Department Upon Receipt of Report (232.71B)

If a report from the department has a child abuse allegation, the department shall have the child screened for commercial sexual exploitation.

Section 5- Limitations of Actions-Minors and Persons with Mental Illness (614.8)

Extends the statute of limitations from one to five years after they reach the age of majority.

Section 6- Limitations of Actions- Commencement of Action for Child or Minor Sexual Abuse or Human Trafficking- Time Limitation (614.8)

Extends the statute of limitations for sexual abuse or human trafficking to five years after the minor turns 18.

Section 7- Human Trafficking- Definitions (710A.1)

Amends the definition of human trafficking to include recruiting, harboring, transporting, supplying provisions to, obtaining, patronizing or soliciting a person for listed reasons.

Section 8- Human Trafficking- Definitions (710A.1)

Clarifies the definition of services.

Section 9- Vice- Prostitution (725.1)

If the person is under 18 the county attorney may elect not to charge them and instead take them into temporary custody.

Section 10- Restitution- Definitions (910.1)

Category A restitution is amended to include payment of crime victim compensation program reimbursements. This was previously in category B restitution.

Section 11- Department of Health and Human Services- Restoration Facilities

DHS shall develop a plan in consultation with nonprofit services providers who give restoration services to victims of human trafficking to increase the facilities and protective services available

Section 12- Effective Date

Section 10 is effective upon enactment

Amendment Analysis