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CERTIFICATE

I, Thomas Hoemann, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5718** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

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By Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections (originally sponsored by Senators Kohl-Welles, Hargrove, Regala, Stevens, Keiser and Rasmussen)

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- AN ACT Relating to penalties for engaging in the commercial sexual abuse of minors; amending RCW 9.68A.001, 9.68A.100, 9.68A.110,
- 3 19.138.340, 9A.88.140, 9.68A.105, 9A.88.120, and 9A.88.070; reenacting
- 4 and amending RCW 9.94A.533 and 9.94A.515; adding new sections to
- 5 chapter 9.68A RCW; adding a new section to chapter 9.94A.RCW; creating
- 6 new sections; and prescribing penalties.
- 7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 8 Sec. 1. RCW 9.68A.001 and 1984 c 262 s 1 are each amended to read 9 as follows:
- The legislature finds that the prevention of sexual exploitation and abuse of children constitutes a government objective of surpassing importance. The care of children is a sacred trust and should not be abused by those who seek commercial gain or personal gratification based on the exploitation of children.
- The legislature further finds that the protection of children from sexual exploitation can be accomplished without infringing on a constitutionally protected activity. The definition of "sexually explicit conduct" and other operative definitions demarcate a line

- between protected and prohibited conduct and should not inhibit
 legitimate scientific, medical, or educational activities.
- 3 <u>The legislature further finds that children engaged in sexual</u> 4 conduct for financial compensation are frequently the victims of sexual
- 5 abuse. Approximately eighty to ninety percent of children engaged in
- 6 sexual activity for financial compensation have a history of sexual
- 7 abuse victimization. It is the intent of the legislature to encourage
- 8 these children to engage in prevention and intervention services and to
- 9 <u>hold those who pay to engage in the sexual abuse of children</u>
- 10 accountable for the trauma they inflict on children.
- 11 **Sec. 2.** RCW 9.68A.100 and 1999 c 327 s 4 are each amended to read 12 as follows:
- 13 <u>(1)</u> A person is guilty of ((patronizing a juvenile prostitute))
- 14 <u>commercial sexual abuse of a minor</u> if ((that person engages or agrees
- 15 or offers)):
- 16 <u>(a) He or she pays a fee to a minor or a third person as</u>
- 17 compensation for a minor having engaged in sexual conduct with him or
- 18 <u>her;</u>
- 19 (b) He or she pays or agrees to pay a fee to a minor or a third
- 20 person pursuant to an understanding that in return therefore such minor
- 21 will engage in sexual conduct with him or her; or
- (c) He or she solicits, offers, or requests to engage in sexual conduct with a minor in return for a fee((, and is guilty of)).
- 24 <u>(2) Commercial sexual abuse of a minor is</u> a class C felony 25 punishable under chapter 9A.20 RCW.
- 26 (3) In addition to any other penalty provided under chapter 9A.20
- 27 RCW, a person guilty of ((patronizing a juvenile prostitute))
- 28 commercial sexual abuse of a minor is subject to the provisions under
- 29 RCW 9A.88.130 and 9A.88.140.
- 30 (4) For purposes of this section, "sexual conduct" means sexual
- intercourse or sexual contact, both as defined in chapter 9A.44 RCW.
- 32 **Sec. 3.** RCW 9.68A.110 and 1992 c 178 s 1 are each amended to read
- 33 as follows:
- 34 (1) In a prosecution under RCW 9.68A.040, it is not a defense that
- 35 the defendant was involved in activities of law enforcement and
- 36 prosecution agencies in the investigation and prosecution of criminal

- offenses. Law enforcement and prosecution agencies shall not employ minors to aid in the investigation of a violation of RCW 9.68A.090 or 9.68A.100. This chapter does not apply to lawful conduct between spouses.
- 5 (2) In a prosecution under RCW 9.68A.050, 9.68A.060, 9.68A.070, or 9.68A.080, it is not a defense that the defendant did not know the age of the child depicted in the visual or printed matter: PROVIDED, That it is a defense, which the defendant must prove by a preponderance of the evidence, that at the time of the offense the defendant was not in possession of any facts on the basis of which he or she should reasonably have known that the person depicted was a minor.

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- (3) In a prosecution under RCW 9.68A.040 ((er)), 9.68A.090, section 4 of this act, or section 5 of this act, it is not a defense that the defendant did not know the alleged victim's age: PROVIDED, That it is a defense, which the defendant must prove by a preponderance of the evidence, that at the time of the offense, the defendant made a reasonable bona fide attempt to ascertain the true age of the minor by requiring production of a driver's license, marriage license, birth certificate, or other governmental or educational identification card or paper and did not rely solely on the oral allegations or apparent age of the minor.
- (4) In a prosecution under RCW 9.68A.050, 9.68A.060, or 9.68A.070, it shall be an affirmative defense that the defendant was a law enforcement officer in the process of conducting an official investigation of a sex-related crime against a minor, or that the defendant was providing individual case treatment as a recognized medical facility or as a psychiatrist or psychologist licensed under Title 18 RCW.
- (5) In a prosecution under RCW 9.68A.050, 9.68A.060, or 9.68A.070, the state is not required to establish the identity of the alleged victim.
- 32 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 9.68A RCW 33 to read as follows:
- 34 (1) A person is guilty of promoting commercial sexual abuse of a 35 minor if he or she knowingly advances commercial sexual abuse of a 36 minor or profits from a minor engaged in sexual conduct.

- (2) Promoting commercial sexual abuse of a minor is a class B 1 2 felony.
 - (3) For the purposes of this section:

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- (a) A person "advances commercial sexual abuse of a minor" if, acting other than as a minor receiving compensation for personally rendered sexual conduct or as a person engaged in commercial sexual 7 abuse of a minor, he or she causes or aids a person to commit or engage in commercial sexual abuse of a minor, procures or solicits customers for commercial sexual abuse of a minor, provides persons or premises for the purposes of engaging in commercial sexual abuse of a minor, operates or assists in the operation of a house or enterprise for the purposes of engaging in commercial sexual abuse of a minor, or engages in any other conduct designed to institute, aid, cause, assist, or facilitate an act or enterprise of commercial sexual abuse of a minor.
 - (b) A person "profits from commercial sexual abuse of a minor" if, acting other than as a minor receiving compensation for personally rendered sexual conduct, he or she accepts or receives money or other property pursuant to an agreement or understanding with any person whereby he or she participates or will participate in the proceeds of commercial sexual abuse of a minor.
- 21 (4) For purposes of this section, "sexual conduct" means sexual 22 intercourse or sexual contact, both as defined in chapter 9A.44 RCW.
- 23 NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. A new section is added to chapter 9.68A RCW 24 to read as follows:
 - (1) A person commits the offense of promoting travel for commercial sexual abuse of a minor if he or she knowingly sells or offers to sell travel services that include or facilitate travel for the purpose of engaging in what would be commercial sexual abuse of a minor or promoting commercial sexual abuse of a minor, if occurring in this state.
- 31 (2) Promoting travel for commercial sexual abuse of a minor is a class C felony. 32
- (3) For purposes of this section, "travel services" has the same 33 meaning as defined in RCW 19.138.021. 34
- 35 Sec. 6. RCW 19.138.340 and 2006 c 250 s 3 are each amended to read 36 as follows:

- 1 (1) No seller of travel shall engage in any of the following:
- 2 (a) Promoting travel for prostitution <u>or promoting travel for</u> 3 commercial sexual abuse of a minor;
 - (b) Selling, advertising, or otherwise offering to sell travel services or facilitate travel:
 - (i) For the purposes of engaging in a commercial sex act;
- 7 (ii) That consists of tourism packages or activities using and 8 offering sexual acts as an enticement for tourism; or
- 9 (iii) That provides, purports to provide access to, or facilitates 10 the availability of sex escorts or sexual services.
- 11 (2) For the purposes of this section:

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- 12 (a) "Commercial sex act" means any sexual contact, as defined in 13 chapter 9A.44 RCW, for which anything of value is given to or received 14 by any person.
- 15 (b) "Sexual act" means any sexual contact as defined in chapter 16 9A.44 RCW.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. A new section is added to chapter 9.68A RCW to read as follows:
- 19 (1) A person is guilty of permitting commercial sexual abuse of a 20 minor if, having possession or control of premises which he or she 21 knows are being used for the purpose of commercial sexual abuse of a 22 minor, he or she fails without lawful excuse to make reasonable effort 23 to halt or abate such use and to make a reasonable effort to notify law 24 enforcement of such use.
- 25 (2) Permitting commercial sexual abuse of a minor is a gross 26 misdemeanor.
- 27 **Sec. 8.** RCW 9A.88.140 and 1999 c 327 s 3 are each amended to read 28 as follows:
- 29 (1) Upon an arrest for a suspected violation of patronizing a 30 prostitute or ((patronizing a juvenile prostitute)) commercial sexual abuse of a minor, the arresting law enforcement officer may impound the 31 person's vehicle if (a) the motor vehicle was used in the commission of 32 the crime; (b) the person arrested is the owner of the vehicle; and (c) 33 the person arrested has previously been convicted of patronizing a 34 35 prostitute, under RCW 9A.88.110, or ((patronizing a juvenile 36 prostitute)) commercial sexual abuse of a minor, under RCW 9.68A.100.

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- 1 (2) Impoundments performed under this section shall be in 2 accordance with chapter 46.55 RCW.
 - Sec. 9. RCW 9.94A.533 and 2006 c 339 s 301 and 2006 c 123 s 1 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
 - (1) The provisions of this section apply to the standard sentence ranges determined by RCW 9.94A.510 or 9.94A.517.
 - (2) For persons convicted of the anticipatory offenses of criminal attempt, solicitation, or conspiracy under chapter 9A.28 RCW, the standard sentence range is determined by locating the sentencing grid sentence range defined by the appropriate offender score and the seriousness level of the completed crime, and multiplying the range by seventy-five percent.
 - (3) The following additional times shall be added to the standard sentence range for felony crimes committed after July 23, 1995, if the offender or an accomplice was armed with a firearm as defined in RCW 9.41.010 and the offender is being sentenced for one of the crimes listed in this subsection as eligible for any firearm enhancements based on the classification of the completed felony crime. offender is being sentenced for more than one offense, the firearm enhancement or enhancements must be added to the total period of confinement for all offenses, regardless of which underlying offense is subject to a firearm enhancement. If the offender or an accomplice was armed with a firearm as defined in RCW 9.41.010 and the offender is being sentenced for an anticipatory offense under chapter 9A.28 RCW to commit one of the crimes listed in this subsection as eligible for any firearm enhancements, the following additional times shall be added to the standard sentence range determined under subsection (2) of this section based on the felony crime of conviction as classified under RCW 9A.28.020:
 - (a) Five years for any felony defined under any law as a class A felony or with a statutory maximum sentence of at least twenty years, or both, and not covered under (f) of this subsection;
 - (b) Three years for any felony defined under any law as a class B felony or with a statutory maximum sentence of ten years, or both, and not covered under (f) of this subsection;
 - (c) Eighteen months for any felony defined under any law as a class

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C felony or with a statutory maximum sentence of five years, or both, and not covered under (f) of this subsection;

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- (d) If the offender is being sentenced for any firearm enhancements under (a), (b), and/or (c) of this subsection and the offender has previously been sentenced for any deadly weapon enhancements after July 23, 1995, under (a), (b), and/or (c) of this subsection or subsection (4)(a), (b), and/or (c) of this section, or both, all firearm enhancements under this subsection shall be twice the amount of the enhancement listed;
- (e) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, all firearm enhancements under this section are mandatory, shall be served in total confinement, and shall run consecutively to all other sentencing provisions, including other firearm or deadly weapon enhancements, for all offenses sentenced under this chapter. However, whether or not a mandatory minimum term has expired, an offender serving a sentence under this subsection may be granted an extraordinary medical placement when authorized under RCW 9.94A.728(4);
- (f) The firearm enhancements in this section shall apply to all felony crimes except the following: Possession of a machine gun, possessing a stolen firearm, drive-by shooting, theft of a firearm, unlawful possession of a firearm in the first and second degree, and use of a machine gun in a felony;
- (g) If the standard sentence range under this section exceeds the statutory maximum sentence for the offense, the statutory maximum sentence shall be the presumptive sentence unless the offender is a persistent offender. If the addition of a firearm enhancement increases the sentence so that it would exceed the statutory maximum for the offense, the portion of the sentence representing the enhancement may not be reduced.
- (4) The following additional times shall be added to the standard sentence range for felony crimes committed after July 23, 1995, if the offender or an accomplice was armed with a deadly weapon other than a firearm as defined in RCW 9.41.010 and the offender is being sentenced for one of the crimes listed in this subsection as eligible for any deadly weapon enhancements based on the classification of the completed felony crime. If the offender is being sentenced for more than one offense, the deadly weapon enhancement or enhancements must be added to the total period of confinement for all offenses, regardless of which

- 1 underlying offense is subject to a deadly weapon enhancement. If the
- 2 offender or an accomplice was armed with a deadly weapon other than a
- 3 firearm as defined in RCW 9.41.010 and the offender is being sentenced
- 4 for an anticipatory offense under chapter 9A.28 RCW to commit one of
- 5 the crimes listed in this subsection as eligible for any deadly weapon
- 6 enhancements, the following additional times shall be added to the
- 7 standard sentence range determined under subsection (2) of this section
- 8 based on the felony crime of conviction as classified under RCW
- 9 9A.28.020:
- 10 (a) Two years for any felony defined under any law as a class A 11 felony or with a statutory maximum sentence of at least twenty years,
- or both, and not covered under (f) of this subsection;
- 13 (b) One year for any felony defined under any law as a class B
- 14 felony or with a statutory maximum sentence of ten years, or both, and
- 15 not covered under (f) of this subsection;
- 16 (c) Six months for any felony defined under any law as a class C
- 17 felony or with a statutory maximum sentence of five years, or both, and
- 18 not covered under (f) of this subsection;
- (d) If the offender is being sentenced under (a), (b), and/or (c)
- 20 of this subsection for any deadly weapon enhancements and the offender
- 21 has previously been sentenced for any deadly weapon enhancements after
- 22 July 23, 1995, under (a), (b), and/or (c) of this subsection or
- 23 subsection (3)(a), (b), and/or (c) of this section, or both, all deadly
- 24 weapon enhancements under this subsection shall be twice the amount of
- 25 the enhancement listed;
- 26 (e) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, all deadly weapon
- 27 enhancements under this section are mandatory, shall be served in total
- 28 confinement, and shall run consecutively to all other sentencing
- 29 provisions, including other firearm or deadly weapon enhancements, for
- 30 all offenses sentenced under this chapter. However, whether or not a
- 31 mandatory minimum term has expired, an offender serving a sentence
- 32 under this subsection may be granted an extraordinary medical placement
- when authorized under RCW 9.94A.728(4);
- 34 (f) The deadly weapon enhancements in this section shall apply to
- 35 all felony crimes except the following: Possession of a machine gun,
- 36 possessing a stolen firearm, drive-by shooting, theft of a firearm,
- 37 unlawful possession of a firearm in the first and second degree, and
- 38 use of a machine gun in a felony;

(g) If the standard sentence range under this section exceeds the statutory maximum sentence for the offense, the statutory maximum sentence shall be the presumptive sentence unless the offender is a persistent offender. If the addition of a deadly weapon enhancement increases the sentence so that it would exceed the statutory maximum for the offense, the portion of the sentence representing the enhancement may not be reduced.

- (5) The following additional times shall be added to the standard sentence range if the offender or an accomplice committed the offense while in a county jail or state correctional facility and the offender is being sentenced for one of the crimes listed in this subsection. If the offender or an accomplice committed one of the crimes listed in this subsection while in a county jail or state correctional facility, and the offender is being sentenced for an anticipatory offense under chapter 9A.28 RCW to commit one of the crimes listed in this subsection, the following additional times shall be added to the standard sentence range determined under subsection (2) of this section:
- 19 (a) Eighteen months for offenses committed under RCW 69.50.401(2) 20 (a) or (b) or 69.50.410;
- 21 (b) Fifteen months for offenses committed under RCW 69.50.401(2) 22 (c), (d), or (e);
 - (c) Twelve months for offenses committed under RCW 69.50.4013.

For the purposes of this subsection, all of the real property of a state correctional facility or county jail shall be deemed to be part of that facility or county jail.

- (6) An additional twenty-four months shall be added to the standard sentence range for any ranked offense involving a violation of chapter 69.50 RCW if the offense was also a violation of RCW 69.50.435 or 9.94A.605. All enhancements under this subsection shall run consecutively to all other sentencing provisions, for all offenses sentenced under this chapter.
- (7) An additional two years shall be added to the standard sentence range for vehicular homicide committed while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug as defined by RCW 46.61.502 for each prior offense as defined in RCW 46.61.5055.
- 37 (8)(a) The following additional times shall be added to the 38 standard sentence range for felony crimes committed on or after July 1,

- 2006, if the offense was committed with sexual motivation, as that term 1 is defined in RCW 9.94A.030. If the offender is being sentenced for 2 more than one offense, the sexual motivation enhancement must be added 3 to the total period of total confinement for all offenses, regardless 4 5 of which underlying offense is subject to a sexual motivation If the offender committed the offense with sexual 6 7 motivation and the offender is being sentenced for an anticipatory offense under chapter 9A.28 RCW, the following additional times shall 8 9 be added to the standard sentence range determined under subsection (2) of this section based on the felony crime of conviction as classified 10 under RCW 9A.28.020: 11
 - (i) Two years for any felony defined under the law as a class A felony or with a statutory maximum sentence of at least twenty years, or both;
- (ii) Eighteen months for any felony defined under any law as a 15 16 class B felony or with a statutory maximum sentence of ten years, or 17
 - (iii) One year for any felony defined under any law as a class C felony or with a statutory maximum sentence of five years, or both;
 - (iv) If the offender is being sentenced for any sexual motivation enhancements under (i), (ii), and/or (iii) of this subsection and the offender has previously been sentenced for any sexual motivation enhancements on or after July 1, 2006, under (i), (ii), and/or (iii) of subsection, all sexual motivation enhancements under this subsection shall be twice the amount of the enhancement listed;
 - (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, all sexual motivation enhancements under this subsection are mandatory, shall be served in total confinement, and shall run consecutively to all other sentencing provisions, including other sexual motivation enhancements, for all offenses sentenced under this chapter. However, whether or not a mandatory minimum term has expired, an offender serving a sentence under this subsection may be granted an extraordinary medical placement when authorized under RCW 9.94A.728(4);
- (c) The sexual motivation enhancements in this subsection apply to 35 all felony crimes;
- (d) If the standard sentence range under this subsection exceeds 36 37 the statutory maximum sentence for the offense, the statutory maximum 38 sentence shall be the presumptive sentence unless the offender is a

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persistent offender. If the addition of a sexual motivation enhancement increases the sentence so that it would exceed the statutory maximum for the offense, the portion of the sentence representing the enhancement may not be reduced;

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- (e) The portion of the total confinement sentence which the offender must serve under this subsection shall be calculated before any earned early release time is credited to the offender;
- 8 (f) Nothing in this subsection prevents a sentencing court from 9 imposing a sentence outside the standard sentence range pursuant to RCW 10 9.94A.535.
- (9) An additional one-year enhancement shall be added to the 11 12 standard sentence range for the felony crimes of RCW 9A.44.073, 13 9A.44.076, 9A.44.079, 9A.44.083, 9A.44.086, or 9A.44.089 committed on 14 or after the effective date of this act, if the offender engaged, agreed, or offered to engage the victim in the sexual conduct in return 15 for a fee. If the offender is being sentenced for more than one 16 offense, the one-year enhancement must be added to the total period of 17 total confinement for all offenses, regardless of which underlying 18 offense is subject to the enhancement. If the offender is being 19 sentenced for an anticipatory offense for the felony crimes of RCW 20 21 9A.44.073, 9A.44.076, 9A.44.079, 9A.44.083, 9A.44.086, or 9A.44.089, and the offender attempted, solicited another, or conspired to engage, 22 agree, or offer to engage the victim in sexual conduct in return for a 23 fee, an additional one-year enhancement shall be added to the standard 24 sentence range determined under subsection (2) of this section. For 25 26 purposes of this subsection, "sexual conduct" means sexual intercourse 27 or sexual contact, both as defined in chapter 9A.44 RCW.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 10. A new section is added to chapter 9.94A RCW to read as follows:

(1) In a prosecution for a violation of RCW 9A.44.073, 9A.44.076, 9A.44.079, 9A.44.083, 9A.44.086, or 9A.44.089, or an anticipatory offense for a violation of RCW 9A.44.073, 9A.44.076, 9A.44.079, 9A.44.083, 9A.44.086, or 9A.44.089, committed on or after the effective date of this act, the prosecuting attorney may file a special allegation that the defendant engaged, agreed, offered, attempted, solicited another, or conspired to engage the victim in the sexual conduct in return for a fee, when sufficient admissible evidence

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- exists, which, when considered with the most plausible, reasonably foreseeable defense that could be raised under the evidence, would justify a finding by a reasonable and objective fact-finder that the defendant engaged, agreed, offered, attempted, solicited another, or conspired to engage the victim in the sexual conduct in return for a fee.
- 7 (2) Once a special allegation has been made under this section, the state has the burden to prove beyond a reasonable doubt that the defendant engaged, agreed, offered, attempted, solicited another, or conspired to engage the victim in the sexual conduct in return for a If a jury is had, the jury shall, if it finds the defendant guilty, also find a special verdict as to whether the defendant engaged, agreed, offered, attempted, solicited another, or conspired to engage the victim in the sexual conduct in exchange for a fee. If no jury is had, the court shall make a finding of fact as to whether the defendant engaged, agreed, offered, attempted, solicited another, or conspired to engage the victim in the sexual conduct in exchange for a fee.
- (3) For purposes of this section, "sexual conduct" means sexual 19 20 intercourse or sexual contact as defined in chapter 9A.44 RCW.
- 21 **Sec. 11.** RCW 9.68A.105 and 1995 c 353 s 12 are each amended to 22 read as follows:
 - (1)(a) In addition to penalties set forth in RCW 9.68A.100, a person who is either convicted or given a deferred sentence or a deferred prosecution or who has entered into a statutory or nonstatutory diversion agreement as a result of an arrest for violating RCW 9.68A.100 or a comparable county or municipal ordinance shall be assessed a ((two)) five hundred fifty dollar fee.
 - (b) The court may not suspend payment of all or part of the fee unless it finds that the person does not have the ability to pay.
 - (c) When a minor has been adjudicated a juvenile offender or has entered into a statutory or nonstatutory diversion agreement for an offense which, if committed by an adult, would constitute a violation of RCW 9.68A.100 or a comparable county or municipal ordinance, the court shall assess the fee under (a) of this subsection. The court may not suspend payment of all or part of the fee unless it finds that the minor does not have the ability to pay the fee.

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- (2) The fee assessed under subsection (1) of this section shall be collected by the clerk of the court and distributed each month to the state treasurer for deposit in the prostitution prevention and intervention account under RCW 43.63A.740 for the purpose of funding prostitution prevention and intervention activities.
 - (3) For the purposes of this section:

- (a) "Statutory or nonstatutory diversion agreement" means an agreement under RCW 13.40.080 or any written agreement between a person accused of an offense listed in subsection (1) of this section and a court, county or city prosecutor, or designee thereof, whereby the person agrees to fulfill certain conditions in lieu of prosecution.
- 12 <u>(b) "Deferred sentence" means a sentence that will not be carried</u>
 13 <u>out if the defendant meets certain requirements, such as complying with</u>
 14 the conditions of probation.
- **Sec. 12.** RCW 9A.88.120 and 1995 c 353 s 13 are each amended to 16 read as follows:
 - (1)(a) In addition to penalties set forth in RCW 9A.88.010, 9A.88.030, and 9A.88.090, a person who is either convicted or given a deferred sentence or a deferred prosecution or who has entered into a statutory or nonstatutory diversion agreement as a result of an arrest for violating RCW 9A.88.010, 9A.88.030, 9A.88.090, or comparable county or municipal ordinances shall be assessed a fifty dollar fee.
 - (b) In addition to penalties set forth in RCW 9A.88.110, a person who is either convicted or given a deferred sentence or a deferred prosecution or who has entered into a statutory or nonstatutory diversion agreement as a result of an arrest for violating RCW 9A.88.110 or a comparable county or municipal ordinance shall be assessed a one hundred fifty dollar fee.
 - (c) In addition to penalties set forth in RCW 9A.88.070 and 9A.88.080, a person who is either convicted or given a deferred sentence or a deferred prosecution or who has entered into a statutory or nonstatutory diversion agreement as a result of an arrest for violating RCW 9A.88.070, 9A.88.080, or comparable county or municipal ordinances shall be assessed a three hundred dollar fee.
- 35 (2) The court may not suspend payment of all or part of the fee 36 unless it finds that the person does not have the ability to pay.

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- (3) When a minor has been adjudicated a juvenile offender or has entered into a statutory or nonstatutory diversion agreement for an offense which, if committed by an adult, would constitute a violation under this chapter or comparable county or municipal ordinances, the court shall assess the fee as specified under subsection (1) of this section. The court may not suspend payment of all or part of the fee unless it finds that the minor does not have the ability to pay the fee.
 - (4) Any fee assessed under this section shall be collected by the clerk of the court and distributed each month to the state treasurer for deposit in the prostitution prevention and intervention account under RCW 43.63A.740 for the purpose of funding prostitution prevention and intervention activities.
 - (5) For the purposes of this section:
- 15 <u>(a) "Statutory or nonstatutory diversion agreement" means an</u>
 16 <u>agreement under RCW 13.40.080 or any written agreement between a person</u>
 17 <u>accused of an offense listed in subsection (1) of this section and a</u>
 18 <u>court, county, or city prosecutor, or designee thereof, whereby the</u>
 19 <u>person agrees to fulfill certain conditions in lieu of prosecution.</u>
- 20 <u>(b) "Deferred sentence" means a sentence that will not be carried</u>
 21 <u>out if the defendant meets certain requirements, such as complying with</u>
 22 <u>the conditions of probation.</u>
- 23 **Sec. 13.** RCW 9A.88.070 and 1975 1st ex.s. c 260 s 9A.88.070 are each amended to read as follows:
- 25 (1) A person is guilty of promoting prostitution in the first 26 degree if he <u>or she</u> knowingly((\div
- (a)) <u>a</u>dvances prostitution by compelling a person by threat or force to engage in prostitution or profits from prostitution which results from such threat or force(($\frac{1}{2}$ or
- 30 (b) Advances or profits from prostitution of a person less than 31 eighteen years old)).
- 32 (2) Promoting prostitution in the first degree is a class B felony.
- 33 **Sec. 14.** RCW 9.94A.515 and 2006 c 277 s 6, 2006 c 228 s 9, 2006 c 34 191 s 2, 2006 c 139 s 2, 2006 c 128 s 3, and 2006 c 73 s 12 are each 35 reenacted and amended to read as follows:

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| 2 | | CRIMES INCLUDED WITHIN |
| 3 | | EACH SERIOUSNESS LEVEL |
| 4 | XVI | Aggravated Murder 1 (RCW |
| 5 | | 10.95.020) |
| 6 | XV | Homicide by abuse (RCW 9A.32.055) |
| 7 | | Malicious explosion 1 (RCW |
| 8 | | 70.74.280(1)) |
| 9 | | Murder 1 (RCW 9A.32.030) |
| 10 | XIV | Murder 2 (RCW 9A.32.050) |
| 11 | | Trafficking 1 (RCW 9A.40.100(1)) |
| 12 | XIII | Malicious explosion 2 (RCW |
| 13 | | 70.74.280(2)) |
| 14 | | Malicious placement of an explosive 1 |
| 15 | | (RCW 70.74.270(1)) |
| 16 | XII | Assault 1 (RCW 9A.36.011) |
| 17 | | Assault of a Child 1 (RCW 9A.36.120) |
| 18 | | Malicious placement of an imitation |
| 19 | | device 1 (RCW 70.74.272(1)(a)) |
| 20 | | Rape 1 (RCW 9A.44.040) |
| 21 | | Rape of a Child 1 (RCW 9A.44.073) |
| 22 | | Trafficking 2 (RCW 9A.40.100(2)) |
| 23 | XI | Manslaughter 1 (RCW 9A.32.060) |
| 24 | | Rape 2 (RCW 9A.44.050) |
| 25 | | Rape of a Child 2 (RCW 9A.44.076) |
| 26 | X | Child Molestation 1 (RCW 9A.44.083) |
| 27 | | Indecent Liberties (with forcible |
| 28 | | compulsion) (RCW |
| 29 | | 9A.44.100(1)(a)) |
| 30 | | Kidnapping 1 (RCW 9A.40.020) |
| 31 | | Leading Organized Crime (RCW |
| 32 | | 9A.82.060(1)(a)) |
| 33 | | Malicious explosion 3 (RCW |
| 34 | | 70.74.280(3)) |
| 35 | | Sexually Violent Predator Escape |
| 36 | | (RCW 9A.76.115) |

| 1 | IX | Abandonment of Dependent Person 1 |
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| 2 | | (RCW 9A.42.060) |
| 3 | | Assault of a Child 2 (RCW 9A.36.130) |
| 4 | | Criminal Mistreatment 1 (RCW |
| 5 | | 9A.42.020) |
| 6 | | Explosive devices prohibited (RCW |
| 7 | | 70.74.180) |
| 8 | | Hit and RunDeath (RCW |
| 9 | | 46.52.020(4)(a)) |
| 10 | | Homicide by Watercraft, by being |
| 11 | | under the influence of intoxicating |
| 12 | | liquor or any drug (RCW |
| 13 | | 79A.60.050) |
| 14 | | Inciting Criminal Profiteering (RCW |
| 15 | | 9A.82.060(1)(b)) |
| 16 | | Malicious placement of an explosive 2 |
| 17 | | (RCW 70.74.270(2)) |
| 18 | | Robbery 1 (RCW 9A.56.200) |
| 19 | | Sexual Exploitation (RCW 9.68A.040) |
| 20 | | Vehicular Homicide, by being under |
| 21 | | the influence of intoxicating liquor |
| 22 | | or any drug (RCW 46.61.520) |
| 23 | VIII | Arson 1 (RCW 9A.48.020) |
| 24 | | Homicide by Watercraft, by the |
| 25 | | operation of any vessel in a |
| 26 | | reckless manner (RCW |
| 27 | | 79A.60.050) |
| 28 | | Manslaughter 2 (RCW 9A.32.070) |
| 29 | | Promoting Commercial Sexual Abuse |
| 30 | | of a Minor (section 4 of this act) |
| 31 | | Promoting Prostitution 1 (RCW |
| 32 | | 9A.88.070) |
| 33 | | Theft of Ammonia (RCW 69.55.010) |
| 34 | | Vehicular Homicide, by the operation |
| 35 | | of any vehicle in a reckless manner |
| 36 | | (RCW 46.61.520) |
| 37 | VII | Burglary 1 (RCW 9A.52.020) |
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| 1 | Child Molestation 2 (RCW 9A.44.086) |
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| 2 | Civil Disorder Training (RCW |
| 3 | 9A.48.120) |
| 4 | Dealing in depictions of minor engaged |
| 5 | in sexually explicit conduct (RCW |
| 6 | 9.68A.050) |
| 7 | Drive-by Shooting (RCW 9A.36.045) |
| 8 | Homicide by Watercraft, by disregard |
| 9 | for the safety of others (RCW |
| 10 | 79A.60.050) |
| 11 | Indecent Liberties (without forcible |
| 12 | compulsion) (RCW 9A.44.100(1) |
| 13 | (b) and (c)) |
| 14 | Introducing Contraband 1 (RCW |
| 15 | 9A.76.140) |
| 16 | Malicious placement of an explosive 3 |
| 17 | (RCW 70.74.270(3)) |
| 18 | Negligently Causing Death By Use of a |
| 19 | Signal Preemption Device (RCW |
| 20 | 46.37.675) |
| 21 | Sending, bringing into state depictions |
| 22 | of minor engaged in sexually |
| 23 | explicit conduct (RCW 9.68A.060) |
| 24 | Unlawful Possession of a Firearm in |
| 25 | the first degree (RCW 9.41.040(1)) |
| 26 | Use of a Machine Gun in Commission |
| 27 | of a Felony (RCW 9.41.225) |
| 28 | Vehicular Homicide, by disregard for |
| 29 | the safety of others (RCW |
| 30 | 46.61.520) |
| 31 | VI Bail Jumping with Murder 1 (RCW |
| 32 | 9A.76.170(3)(a)) |
| 33 | Bribery (RCW 9A.68.010) |
| 34 | Incest 1 (RCW 9A.64.020(1)) |
| 35 | Intimidating a Judge (RCW 9A.72.160) |
| 36 | Intimidating a Juror/Witness (RCW |
| 37 | 9A.72.110, 9A.72.130) |
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| 1 | | Malicious placement of an imitation |
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| 2 | | device 2 (RCW 70.74.272(1)(b)) |
| 3 | | Possession of Depictions of a Minor |
| 4 | | Engaged in Sexually Explicit |
| 5 | | Conduct (RCW 9.68A.070) |
| 6 | | Rape of a Child 3 (RCW 9A.44.079) |
| 7 | | Theft of a Firearm (RCW 9A.56.300) |
| 8 | | Unlawful Storage of Ammonia (RCW |
| 9 | | 69.55.020) |
| 10 | V | Abandonment of Dependent Person 2 |
| 11 | | (RCW 9A.42.070) |
| 12 | | Advancing money or property for |
| 13 | | extortionate extension of credit |
| 14 | | (RCW 9A.82.030) |
| 15 | | Bail Jumping with class A Felony |
| 16 | | (RCW 9A.76.170(3)(b)) |
| 17 | | Child Molestation 3 (RCW 9A.44.089) |
| 18 | | Criminal Mistreatment 2 (RCW |
| 19 | | 9A.42.030) |
| 20 | | Custodial Sexual Misconduct 1 (RCW |
| 21 | | 9A.44.160) |
| 22 | | Domestic Violence Court Order |
| 23 | | Violation (RCW 10.99.040, |
| 24 | | 10.99.050, 26.09.300, 26.10.220, |
| 25 | | 26.26.138, 26.50.110, 26.52.070, |
| 26 | | or 74.34.145) |
| 27 | | Driving While Under the Influence |
| 28 | | (RCW 46.61.502(6)) |
| 29 | | Extortion 1 (RCW 9A.56.120) |
| 30 | | Extortionate Extension of Credit (RCW |
| 31 | | 9A.82.020) |
| 32 | | Extortionate Means to Collect |
| 33 | | Extensions of Credit (RCW |
| 34 | | 9A.82.040) |
| 35 | | Incest 2 (RCW 9A.64.020(2)) |
| 36 | | Kidnapping 2 (RCW 9A.40.030) |
| 37 | | Perjury 1 (RCW 9A.72.020) |
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| 1 | Persistent prison misbehavior (RCW |
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| 2 | 9.94.070) |
| 3 | Physical Control of a Vehicle While |
| 4 | Under the Influence (RCW |
| 5 | 46.61.504(6)) |
| 6 | Possession of a Stolen Firearm (RCW |
| 7 | 9A.56.310) |
| 8 | Rape 3 (RCW 9A.44.060) |
| 9 | Rendering Criminal Assistance 1 |
| 10 | (RCW 9A.76.070) |
| 11 | Sexual Misconduct with a Minor 1 |
| 12 | (RCW 9A.44.093) |
| 13 | Sexually Violating Human Remains |
| 14 | (RCW 9A.44.105) |
| 15 | Stalking (RCW 9A.46.110) |
| 16 | Taking Motor Vehicle Without |
| 17 | Permission 1 (RCW 9A.56.070) |
| 18 | IV Arson 2 (RCW 9A.48.030) |
| 19 | Assault 2 (RCW 9A.36.021) |
| 20 | Assault 3 (of a Peace Officer with a |
| 21 | Projectile Stun Gun) (RCW |
| 22 | 9A.36.031(1)(h)) |
| 23 | Assault by Watercraft (RCW |
| 24 | 79A.60.060) |
| 25 | Bribing a Witness/Bribe Received by |
| 26 | Witness (RCW 9A.72.090, |
| 27 | 9A.72.100) |
| 28 | Cheating 1 (RCW 9.46.1961) |
| 29 | Commercial Bribery (RCW 9A.68.060) |
| 30 | Counterfeiting (RCW 9.16.035(4)) |
| 31 | Endangerment with a Controlled |
| 32 | Substance (RCW 9A.42.100) |
| 33 | Escape 1 (RCW 9A.76.110) |
| 34 | Hit and RunInjury (RCW |
| 35 | 46.52.020(4)(b)) |
| 36 | Hit and Run with VesselInjury |
| 37 | Accident (RCW 79A.60.200(3)) |
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| 1 | Identity Theft 1 (RCW 9.35.020(2)) |
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| 2 | Indecent Exposure to Person Under |
| 3 | Age Fourteen (subsequent sex |
| 4 | offense) (RCW 9A.88.010) |
| 5 | Influencing Outcome of Sporting Event |
| 6 | (RCW 9A.82.070) |
| 7 | Malicious Harassment (RCW |
| 8 | 9A.36.080) |
| 9 | Residential Burglary (RCW |
| 10 | 9A.52.025) |
| 11 | Robbery 2 (RCW 9A.56.210) |
| 12 | Theft of Livestock 1 (RCW 9A.56.080) |
| 13 | Threats to Bomb (RCW 9.61.160) |
| 14 | Trafficking in Stolen Property 1 (RCW |
| 15 | 9A.82.050) |
| 16 | Unlawful factoring of a credit card or |
| 17 | payment card transaction (RCW |
| 18 | 9A.56.290(4)(b)) |
| 19 | Unlawful transaction of health |
| 20 | coverage as a health care service |
| 21 | contractor (RCW 48.44.016(3)) |
| 22 | Unlawful transaction of health |
| 23 | coverage as a health maintenance |
| 24 | organization (RCW 48.46.033(3)) |
| 25 | Unlawful transaction of insurance |
| 26 | business (RCW 48.15.023(3)) |
| 27 | Unlicensed practice as an insurance |
| 28 | professional (RCW 48.17.063(3)) |
| 29 | Use of Proceeds of Criminal |
| 30 | Profiteering (RCW 9A.82.080 (1) |
| 31 | and (2)) |
| 32 | Vehicular Assault, by being under the |
| 33 | influence of intoxicating liquor or |
| 34 | any drug, or by the operation or |
| 35 | driving of a vehicle in a reckless |
| 36 | manner (RCW 46.61.522) |
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| 1 | Willful Failure to Return from |
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| 2 | Furlough (RCW 72.66.060) |
| 3 | III Animal Cruelty 1 (Sexual Conduct or |
| 4 | Contact) (RCW 16.52.205(3)) |
| 5 | Assault 3 (Except Assault 3 of a Peace |
| 6 | Officer With a Projectile Stun |
| 7 | Gun) (RCW 9A.36.031 except |
| 8 | subsection (1)(h)) |
| 9 | Assault of a Child 3 (RCW 9A.36.140) |
| 10 | Bail Jumping with class B or C Felony |
| 11 | (RCW 9A.76.170(3)(c)) |
| 12 | Burglary 2 (RCW 9A.52.030) |
| 13 | Commercial Sexual Abuse of a Minor |
| 14 | (RCW 9.68A.100) |
| 15 | Communication with a Minor for |
| 16 | Immoral Purposes (RCW |
| 17 | 9.68A.090) |
| 18 | Criminal Gang Intimidation (RCW |
| 19 | 9A.46.120) |
| 20 | Custodial Assault (RCW 9A.36.100) |
| 21 | Cyberstalking (subsequent conviction |
| 22 | or threat of death) (RCW |
| 23 | 9.61.260(3)) |
| 24 | Escape 2 (RCW 9A.76.120) |
| 25 | Extortion 2 (RCW 9A.56.130) |
| 26 | Harassment (RCW 9A.46.020) |
| 27 | Intimidating a Public Servant (RCW |
| 28 | 9A.76.180) |
| 29 | Introducing Contraband 2 (RCW |
| 30 | 9A.76.150) |
| 31 | Malicious Injury to Railroad Property |
| 32 | (RCW 81.60.070) |
| 33 | Negligently Causing Substantial Bodily |
| 34 | Harm By Use of a Signal |
| 35 | Preemption Device (RCW |
| 36 | 46.37.674) |
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| 1 | Organized Retail Theft 1 (RCW |
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| 2 | 9A.56.350(2)) |
| 3 | ((Patronizing a Juvenile Prostitute |
| 4 | (RCW 9.68A.100))) |
| 5 | Perjury 2 (RCW 9A.72.030) |
| 6 | Possession of Incendiary Device (RCW |
| 7 | 9.40.120) |
| 8 | Possession of Machine Gun or Short- |
| 9 | Barreled Shotgun or Rifle (RCW |
| 10 | 9.41.190) |
| 11 | Promoting Prostitution 2 (RCW |
| 12 | 9A.88.080) |
| 13 | (([Retail])) Retail Theft with |
| 14 | Extenuating Circumstances 1 |
| 15 | (RCW 9A.56.360(2)) |
| 16 | Securities Act violation (RCW |
| 17 | 21.20.400) |
| 18 | Tampering with a Witness (RCW |
| 19 | 9A.72.120) |
| 20 | Telephone Harassment (subsequent |
| 21 | conviction or threat of death) |
| 22 | (RCW 9.61.230(2)) |
| 23 | Theft of Livestock 2 (RCW 9A.56.083) |
| 24 | Theft with the Intent to Resell 1 (RCW |
| 25 | 9A.56.340(2)) |
| 26 | Trafficking in Stolen Property 2 (RCW |
| 27 | 9A.82.055) |
| 28 | Unlawful Imprisonment (RCW |
| 29 | 9A.40.040) |
| 30 | Unlawful possession of firearm in the |
| 31 | second degree (RCW 9.41.040(2)) |
| 32 | Vehicular Assault, by the operation or |
| 33 | driving of a vehicle with disregard |
| 34 | for the safety of others (RCW |
| 35 | 46.61.522) |
| 36 | Willful Failure to Return from Work |
| 37 | Release (RCW 72.65.070) |
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| 1 | II | Computer Trespass 1 (RCW |
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| 2 | | 9A.52.110) |
| 3 | | Counterfeiting (RCW 9.16.035(3)) |
| 4 | | Escape from Community Custody |
| 5 | | (RCW 72.09.310) |
| 6 | | Failure to Register as a Sex Offender |
| 7 | | (second or subsequent offense) |
| 8 | | (RCW 9A.44.130(10)(a)) |
| 9 | | Health Care False Claims (RCW |
| 10 | | 48.80.030) |
| 11 | | Identity Theft 2 (RCW 9.35.020(3)) |
| 12 | | Improperly Obtaining Financial |
| 13 | | Information (RCW 9.35.010) |
| 14 | | Malicious Mischief 1 (RCW |
| 15 | | 9A.48.070) |
| 16 | | Organized Retail Theft 2 (RCW |
| 17 | | 9A.56.350(3)) |
| 18 | | Possession of Stolen Property 1 (RCW |
| 19 | | 9A.56.150) |
| 20 | | (([Retail])) Retail Theft with |
| 21 | | Extenuating Circumstances 2 |
| 22 | | (RCW 9A.56.360(3)) |
| 23 | | Theft 1 (RCW 9A.56.030) |
| 24 | | Theft of Rental, Leased, or Lease- |
| 25 | | purchased Property (valued at one |
| 26 | | thousand five hundred dollars or |
| 27 | | more) (RCW 9A.56.096(5)(a)) |
| 28 | | Theft with the Intent to Resell 2 (RCW |
| 29 | | 9A.56.340(3)) |
| 30 | | Trafficking in Insurance Claims (RCW |
| 31 | | 48.30A.015) |
| 32 | | Unlawful factoring of a credit card or |
| 33 | | payment card transaction (RCW |
| 34 | | 9A.56.290(4)(a)) |
| 35 | | Unlawful Practice of Law (RCW |
| 36 | | 2.48.180) |
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| 1 | Unlicensed Practice of a Profession or |
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| 2 | Business (RCW 18.130.190(7)) |
| 3 | Voyeurism (RCW 9A.44.115) |
| 4 | I Attempting to Elude a Pursuing Police |
| 5 | Vehicle (RCW 46.61.024) |
| 6 | False Verification for Welfare (RCW |
| 7 | 74.08.055) |
| 8 | Forgery (RCW 9A.60.020) |
| 9 | Fraudulent Creation or Revocation of a |
| 10 | Mental Health Advance Directive |
| 11 | (RCW 9A.60.060) |
| 12 | Malicious Mischief 2 (RCW |
| 13 | 9A.48.080) |
| 14 | Mineral Trespass (RCW 78.44.330) |
| 15 | Possession of Stolen Property 2 (RCW |
| 16 | 9A.56.160) |
| 17 | Reckless Burning 1 (RCW 9A.48.040) |
| 18 | Taking Motor Vehicle Without |
| 19 | Permission 2 (RCW 9A.56.075) |
| 20 | Theft 2 (RCW 9A.56.040) |
| 21 | Theft of Rental, Leased, or Lease- |
| 22 | purchased Property (valued at two |
| 23 | hundred fifty dollars or more but |
| 24 | less than one thousand five |
| 25 | hundred dollars) (RCW |
| 26 | 9A.56.096(5)(b)) |
| 27 | Transaction of insurance business |
| 28 | beyond the scope of licensure |
| 29 | (RCW 48.17.063(4)) |
| 30 | Unlawful Issuance of Checks or Drafts |
| 31 | (RCW 9A.56.060) |
| 32 | Unlawful Possession of Fictitious |
| 33 | Identification (RCW 9A.56.320) |
| 34 | Unlawful Possession of Instruments of |
| 35 | Financial Fraud (RCW 9A.56.320) |
| 36 | Unlawful Possession of Payment |
| 37 | Instruments (RCW 9A.56.320) |
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| 1 | Unlawful Possession of a Personal |
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| 2 | Identification Device (RCW |
| 3 | 9A.56.320) |
| 4 | Unlawful Production of Payment |
| 5 | Instruments (RCW 9A.56.320) |
| 6 | Unlawful Trafficking in Food Stamps |
| 7 | (RCW 9.91.142) |
| 8 | Unlawful Use of Food Stamps (RCW |
| 9 | 9.91.144) |
| 10 | Vehicle Prowl 1 (RCW 9A.52.095) |

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*NEW SECTION. Sec. 15. If funds are specifically appropriated to the prostitution prevention and intervention account as provided in RCW 43.63A.720 for the purposes provided in this section, the department of community, trade, and economic development shall prioritize such funds to provide minors who have a history of engaging in sexual conduct for a fee or are the victims of commercial sexual abuse of a minor with (1) residential treatment and services; (2) counseling services including services mental health and substance abuse and intensive case management; (3) services to engage the minors in school or vocational training; and (4) health care services. *Sec. 15 was vetoed. See message at end of chapter.

Sec. 16. If funds are specifically appropriated to *NEW SECTION. the prostitution prevention and intervention account as provided in RCW 43.63A.720 for the purposes provided in this section, the department of community, trade, and economic development shall prioritize such funds for training of law enforcement and community outreach and education on minors who have a history of engaging in sexual conduct for a fee or are the victims of commercial sexual abuse of a minor, including awareness training regarding the availability of services for minors under chapter 13.32A RCW.
*Sec. 16 was vetoed. See message at end of chapter.

Passed by the Senate April 16, 2007.

Passed by the House April 3, 2007.

Approved by the Governor May 8, 2007, with the exception of certain items that were vetoed.

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Governor's explanation of partial veto is as follows:

"I am returning, without my approval as to Sections 15 and 16, Substitute Senate Bill 5718 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to penalties for engaging in the commercial sexual abuse of minors."

The language establishing funding priorities for the Prostitution Prevention and Intervention Account (Account) in sections 15 and 16 could present technical challenges if funding is ever appropriated for the specific purposes. The Account was created in 1995 and has had very little historical activity. Funding is not provided in either this legislation or in the legislative budget. The Legislature could provide specific direction when or if specific funding is ever provided.

For these reasons, I have vetoed sections Sections 15 and 16 of Substitute Senate Bill 5718.

With the exception of Sections 15 and 16, Substitute Senate Bill 5718 is approved."