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Introduced by Representative Casey of Montpelier

Referred to Committee on

Date:

Subject: Crimes and criminal procedure; prostitution

Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to eliminate offenses related to the location of prostitution while retaining the offenses of aiding or abetting, engaging in, or procuring or soliciting prostitution.

An act relating to prostitution

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Sec. 1. 13 V.S.A. § 2632 is amended to read:

§ 2632. PROSTITUTION

(a) A person shall not:

(1) ~~occupy a place, structure, building, or conveyance for the purpose of prostitution, lewdness, or assignation;~~

(2) ~~knowingly permit a place, structure, building, or conveyance owned by the person or under the person's control to be used for the purpose of prostitution, lewdness, or assignation;~~

1           ~~(3) receive or offer, or agree to receive, a person into a place, structure,~~  
2 ~~building, or conveyance for the purpose of prostitution, lewdness, or~~  
3 ~~assignation;~~

4           ~~(4) permit a person to remain in a place, structure, building, or~~  
5 ~~conveyance for the purpose of prostitution, lewdness, or assignation;~~

6           ~~(5) direct, take or transport, or offer or agree to take or transport a~~  
7 ~~person to a place, structure, building, or conveyance or to any other person~~  
8 ~~knowingly, or with reasonable cause to know that the purpose of such~~  
9 ~~directing, taking, or transporting is prostitution, lewdness, or assignation;~~

10          ~~(6) procure or solicit or offer to procure or solicit a person for the~~  
11 ~~purpose of prostitution, lewdness, or assignation;~~

12          ~~(7) reside in, enter or remain in a place, structure, or building or enter or~~  
13 ~~remain in a conveyance for the purpose of prostitution, lewdness, or~~  
14 ~~assignation;~~

15          ~~(8)~~(2) engage in prostitution, lewdness, or assignation; or

16          ~~(9)~~(3) aid or abet prostitution, lewdness, or assignation, by any means  
17 whatsoever.

18          (b) A person who violates a ~~provision of~~ subsection (a) of this section shall  
19 ~~be fined not more than \$100.00 or may~~ be imprisoned not more than one year  
20 or fined not more than \$100.00, or both. For a second or subsequent offense

1 ~~such~~, a person shall be imprisoned for not more than three years or fined not  
2 more than \$100.00, or both.

3 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

4 This act shall take effect on passage.