

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 584

BY WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO CRIMES AND PUNISHMENTS; AMENDING SECTION 18-5614, IDAHO CODE,  
TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING PATRONIZING A PROSTITUTE, TO PROVIDE  
PENALTIES, AND TO PROVIDE THAT A PORTION OF A FINE SHALL BE DEPOSITED IN  
THE CRIME VICTIMS COMPENSATION ACCOUNT.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Section 18-5614, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby  
amended to read as follows:

18-5614. PATRONIZING A PROSTITUTE. (1) A person is guilty of patroniz-  
ing a prostitute when ~~he or she~~ the person:

(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 en-  
gaging in sexual conduct or sexual contact; or

(c) Engages in conduct, other than mere words, that demonstrates a man-  
ifest intent to pay a fee in exchange for engaging in an act of sexual  
conduct or sexual contact with another person.

(2) Patronizing a prostitute is a misdemeanor, provided that a third or  
subsequent conviction ~~therefor~~ under this section shall be a felony. A first  
conviction under this section is punishable by a fine of up to two thousand  
dollars (\$2,000), and a second conviction under this section is punishable  
by a fine of up to five thousand dollars (\$5,000). Fifty percent (50%) of any  
fine imposed pursuant to this section shall be deposited in the crime victims  
compensation account established by section 72-1009, Idaho Code.