

House \_\_\_\_\_ Amendment NO. \_\_\_\_\_

Offered By

1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 397, Page 2, Section 567.020, Lines 17 to  
2 22, by deleting all of said lines and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

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4 5. ~~[In addition to the affirmative defense provided in subsection 2 of section 566.223, it~~  
5 ~~shall be an affirmative defense to prosecution pursuant to this section that the defendant was under~~  
6 ~~the age of eighteen and was acting under the coercion, as defined in section 566.200, of an agent at~~  
7 ~~the time of the offense charged]~~ If any defendant to a charge of prostitution under this section is  
8 under the age of eighteen, then such person shall be subject to adjudication as a juvenile under  
9 chapter 211. In such cases, the defendant shall be classified as a victim of abuse, as defined under  
10 section 210.110, and such abuse shall be reported, as required under section 210.115."; and

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12 Further amend said bill, Page 3, Section 610.131, Line 19, by inserting after all of said section and  
13 line the following:

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15 "Section B. Because immediate action is necessary to protect juvenile victims of abuse and sex  
16 trafficking from harm, the repeal and reenactment of sections 567.020 and 610.131 of section A of  
17 this act is deemed necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, welfare, peace, and  
18 safety, and is hereby declared to be an emergency act within the meaning of the constitution, and the  
19 repeal and reenactment of sections 567.020 and 610.131 of section A of this act shall be in full force  
20 and effect upon its passage and approval."; and

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22 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references  
23 accordingly.

Action Taken \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_