

Enrolled Senate Bill 250

Sponsored by Senator TAYLOR, Representative HUFFMAN, Senators GELSER, KNOPP; Senators DEMBROW, MANNING JR, STEINER HAYWARD, THATCHER, Representatives KENNEMER, NOBLE, STARK, VIAL, WHISNANT, WILLIAMSON (Presession filed.)

CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to affirmative defenses for trafficking victims; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 167.007.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. ORS 167.007 is amended to read:

167.007. (1) A person commits the crime of prostitution if the person engages in, or offers or agrees to engage in, sexual conduct or sexual contact in return for a fee.

(2) Prostitution is a Class A misdemeanor.

(3) **It is an affirmative defense to prosecution under this section that the defendant, at the time of the alleged offense, was a victim of the crime of trafficking in persons as described in ORS 163.266 (1)(b) or (c).**

SECTION 2. The amendments to ORS 167.007 by section 1 of this 2017 Act apply to prostitution offenses alleged to have been committed on or after the effective date of this 2017 Act.

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Lori L. Brocker, Secretary of Senate

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Peter Courtney, President of Senate

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