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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 584

BY WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

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

6 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 patronizing 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 engaging in sexual conduct or sexual contact; or
- (c) Engages in conduct, other than mere words, that demonstrates a manifest 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.