## Senate Bill 899

Sponsored by Senator STARR; Senators ATKINSON, DEVLIN, Representatives BARKER, DOHERTY, ESQUIVEL, HUFFMAN, KENNEMER, KRIEGER, LINDSAY, TOMEI

## SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Creates Assistance to Victims of Sex Trafficking Program. Allows nonprofit organizations to prepare and distribute informational materials about sex trafficking for posting in public places.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to sex trafficking.

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

4 **<u>SECTION 1.</u>** (1) As used in this section:

5 (a) "Public place" means a public transit vehicle, law enforcement vehicle, taxi, gasoline

6 station, roadside rest area managed by the Department of Transportation or the Travel In-

- 7 formation Council or any place where a victim of sex trafficking is likely to see informational
- 8 materials.

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- 9 (b) "Sex trafficking" means the inducement of a person under 18 years of age into an act 10 of commercial sex by force, fraud or coercion.
- 11 (2) There is created the Assistance to Victims of Sex Trafficking Program.
- 12 (3) The purpose of the program is to provide information to:
- 13 (a) Help victims of sex trafficking escape exploitation; and
- (b) Increase public awareness about sex trafficking and steps that can be taken to assist
  victims to escape exploitation.
- (4)(a) A nonprofit organization may prepare informational materials about sex trafficking
  and submit the materials to the Department of Justice for its review and approval.
- 18 (b) Review by the department shall include a review for accuracy of information.
- (5) The nonprofit organization may distribute, without charge, informational materials
  approved by the department for posting in public places.
- (6) The informational materials may include hotline telephone numbers, locations where
  victims of sex trafficking can obtain assistance and any other information that would assist
  victims.
- (7) The form of the informational materials may include, but need not be limited to, ad hesive stickers.
- (8) A public place, as a public service, may post the informational materials in a con spicuous place.
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