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SENATE AMENDMENT “ ” to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “A” to H.P. 931, L.D. 1435, “An Act to Reduce Commercial Sexual Exploitation”

Amend the amendment by inserting after the 2nd instructional paragraph the following:

'Amend the bill by striking out all of section 3.'

Amend the amendment by striking out the 5th instructional paragraph (page 1, line 26 in amendment) and inserting the following:

'Amend the bill by striking out all of section 6.'

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Amend the amendment on page 2 by inserting after the first instructional paragraph the following:

'Amend the bill by striking out all of sections 12, 13 and 14.'

Amend the amendment by inserting after section 16 the following:

'Amend the bill by striking out all of sections 18 and 19.'

Amend the amendment by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment retains the changes made by the bill as amended by Committee Amendment "A" except that it does not repeal the crime of engaging in prostitution. It also retains the defenses available to a person engaging in prostitution, such as being compelled through the use of drugs or alcohol, the withholding of a passport or other immigration document or the repayment of a debt or being threatened with harm, either to the person or another person.

This amendment also removes as a defense to conspiracy to commit commercial sexual exploitation that the person's participation is to conspire to engage a patron to engage in

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1 sex with the person and the defense to sex trafficking that the actor was soliciting a patron
2 to engage in sex only with the actor.

3 **SPONSORED BY:** _____

4 **(Senator STEWART, T.)**

5 **COUNTY: Aroostook**