

# Committee Report

# CONSENT CALENDAR

March 17, 2021

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety  
to which was referred HB 180,

AN ACT increasing the penalty for buyers under the  
law regarding trafficking in persons. Having  
considered the same, report the same with the following  
amendment, and the recommendation that the bill  
OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.

Rep. Scott Wallace

FOR THE COMMITTEE

## COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee:	Criminal Justice and Public Safety
Bill Number:	HB 180
Title:	increasing the penalty for buyers under the law regarding trafficking in persons.
Date:	March 17, 2021
Consent Calendar:	CONSENT
Recommendation:	OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT 2021-0397h

### STATEMENT OF INTENT

This bill seeks to raise the penalty from a class B felony to a class A felony for a person that pays to engage in sexual contact with another person under the age of 18 who is a victim of human trafficking. This bill as amended would apply to all persons engaging in such activity except when the age difference between the persons is more than 3 years for persons between 13-16 years old and the bad actor is less than 20 years old. In circumstances where the bad actor is less than 20 and there is less than 3 years difference in age the penalty would remain a B felony. This bill has been moving forward through this committee in one form or another for the last few terms and is now ready to enact.

Vote 20-0.

Rep. Scott Wallace  
FOR THE COMMITTEE

Original: House Clerk  
Cc: Committee Bill File

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Criminal Justice and Public Safety

**HB 180**, increasing the penalty for buyers under the law regarding trafficking in persons. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Scott Wallace for Criminal Justice and Public Safety. HB 180 seeks to raise the penalty from a class B felony to a class A felony for a person that pays to engage in sexual contact with another person under the age of 18 who is a victim of human trafficking. This bill as amended would apply to all persons engaging in such activity except when the age difference between the persons is more than 3 years for persons between 13-16 years old and the bad actor is less than 20 years old. In circumstances where the bad actor is less than 20 and there is less than 3 years difference in age the penalty would remain a B felony. This bill has been moving forward through this committee in one form or another for the last few terms and is now ready to enact.

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Amendment to HB 180

1 Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

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3 1 Interference With Freedom; Trafficking in Persons. Amend RSA 633:7, III-a to read as  
4 follows:

5 III-a.(a) A person is guilty of a ~~[class-B]~~ **class A** felony if the person pays, agrees to pay, or  
6 offers to pay to engage in sexual contact, as defined in RSA 632-A:1 or sexual penetration, as defined  
7 in RSA 632-A:1, V with a person under the age of 18, or to observe a sexually explicit performance  
8 involving a person under the age of 18. The payment or offer or agreement to pay may be made to  
9 the person under the age of 18 or a third party. Neither the actor's lack of knowledge of the other  
10 person's age nor consent of the other person shall constitute a defense to a charge under this  
11 paragraph.

12 (b) *A person is guilty of a class B felony if the person pays, agrees to pay, or*  
13 *offers to pay to engage in sexual contact, as defined in RSA 632-A:1 or sexual penetration,*  
14 *as defined in RSA 632-A:1, V with a person who is 13 years of age or older and under 16*  
15 *years of age and the actor is 20 years of age or under, where the age difference between the*  
16 *actor and the other person is not more than 3 years. The payment or offer or agreement to*  
17 *pay may be made to the person under the age of 16 or a third party. Neither the actor's*  
18 *lack of knowledge of the other person's age nor consent of the other person shall constitute*  
19 *a defense to a charge under this paragraph.*

**Amendment to HB 180**  
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**AMENDED ANALYSIS**

This bill changes the penalty for a person who pays to engage in sexual contact with another person under the age of 18 who is a victim of human trafficking and inserts a lesser offense based on the age difference between the victim and the offender.

# Voting Sheets

**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION on HB 180**

**BILL TITLE:** increasing the penalty for buyers under the law regarding trafficking in persons.

**DATE:** February 17, 2021

**LOB ROOM:** 204

**MOTIONS:** OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT

Moved by Rep. Wallace

Seconded by Rep. Burt

AM Vote: 20-0

Amendment # 2021-0397h

Moved by Rep. Wallace

Seconded by Rep. Burt

Vote: 20-0

**CONSENT CALENDAR: YES**

**Statement of Intent:** Refer to Committee Report

Respectfully submitted,

Rep Jennifer Rhodes, Clerk





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## 2021 SESSION

## Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Bill #: 180 Motion: OTP AM #: 0397 Exec Session Date: 2/17/21

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True, Chris	7		
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Bordenet, John	12		
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# Public Hearing

# HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

## PUBLIC HEARING ON HB 180

**BILL TITLE:** increasing the penalty for buyers under the law regarding trafficking in persons.

**DATE:** February 17, 2021

**LOB ROOM:** 204

**Time Public Hearing Called to Order:** 2:08 p.m.

**Time Adjourned:** 2:50 p.m.

**Committee Members:** Reps. Abbas, Welch, Rhodes, Burt, Hopper, Green, Wallace, Testerman, True, Pratt, Marston, Harriott-Gathright, Pantelakos, O'Hearne, Bordenet, Meuse, R. Newman, Amanda Bouldin, Conley, Klein-Knight and Bradley

**Bill Sponsors:**

Rep. Massimilla  
Rep. Klee

Rep. Katsakiores  
Rep. Mangipudi

Rep. Ebel  
Rep. Egan

## TESTIMONY

\* Use asterisk if written testimony and/or amendments are submitted.

**Rep. Plett – Bill sponsor**

- Help prevent children from unnecessary content (offensive)

**\*Rep. Massamilla – Bill sponsor**

- People, children being stolen should have more harsh penalties then objects do

**Q:** Rep. Testerman – Do you think the penalty should be stronger?

**A:** Taking federal guidelines into account

**Darlene Pawlik – Supports**

- Victim of sex trafficking

**Q:** Rep. Testerman – Do you think someone under 20 should have different level of punishment?

**A:** Yes, brain not developed – don't always know

**Steve Kaneb – Supports**

- Gives a tool to make conviction stick

**Kam Quелlette – SB 93 Support**

- Prevent minds from early pornography

**Chris Sevier – Supports**

- Read facts – quickly

**Q:** Rep. Burt – How many states currently have this for computers?

**A:** Many

**John “Jr” – Supports HB 93**

- Child pornography and child trafficking are strongly linked

**Bob Donn – Roman Catholic Church – HB 180**

- Most aggressive charge needs to for this aggressive crime

**Christine Galaxy – Support HB 93**

- Supports families that have been subject to crime because of pornography



**Tiffany Marler – Support – HB 93**

- Victim of sex trafficking

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Jennifer Rhodes

# House Remote Testify

## Criminal Justice and Public Safety Committee Testify List for Bill HB180 on 2021-02-17

Support: 226 Oppose: 3 Neutral: 1 Total to Testify: 3

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# Testimony

**BILL NO:** House Bill 180  
**TITLE:** An Act increasing penalties for buyers under the law regarding trafficking in persons.  
**COMMITTEE:** House Criminal Justice and Public Safety Committee  
**HEARING DATE:** February 17, 2021  
**POSITION:** SUPPORT

Dear Chairman Daryl Abbas, Vice Chairman David Welch and Members of the Committee:

Shared Hope International is a non-profit organization dedicated to combating the egregious human rights violations incurred by the prevalent sex trafficking of children within the United States. By pursuing comprehensive, victim-centered approaches to combat domestic minor sex trafficking, we have found that states are most successful in addressing this crime when buyers of sex with children are treated as serious offenders under the law.

Under the Report Cards on Child and Youth Sex Trafficking (formerly the Protected Innocence Challenge project), Shared Hope has outlined the minimum legal components essential to protect children from sex trafficking, including ensuring adequate penalties for those who drive the sex trafficking industry by creating the demand for child sex trafficking victims. Shared Hope International supports House Bill 180 because it builds on the legislative advancements that appropriately eliminated protections for buyers under the “trafficking in persons” statute and increased penalties under the state’s only commercial sexual exploitation of children offense.


This amendment further strengthens New Hampshire’s commitment to recognizing buyers of sex with children as serious offenders under law. Presently, those who traffic children by “maintaining or making available an individual under 18 years of age for the purpose of engaging the individual in a commercial sex act . . .” are charged with a Class A felony. However, those who drive traffickers to “maintain or make available” minors by creating a demand for commercial sex with children are treated as lower level offenders, potentially facing zero time in prison. Amending N.H. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 633:7(III-a) to increase the offense from a Class B to a Class A felony would ensure that purchasers face a minimum of 7 years imprisonment, comparable to penalties in neighboring states, including Vermont and Massachusetts. Commercially sexually exploited children are not consensual participants of a sex act; child sex trafficking involves the selling, purchasing, and raping of children. Increasing penalties for those who engage in the latter two acts is critical for acknowledging the serious and tremendously harmful nature of this crime.

Additionally, increasing penalties for buyers under the trafficking law would strengthen judicial efficiency by permitting prosecutors to engage in meaningful plea bargaining with defendants. Currently, both commercial sex offenses that apply to buyers, “Trafficking in persons” and “Prostitution and related offenses,” are Class B felonies. Staggering penalties by increasing the felony level for buyers under the trafficking law would allow prosecutors to offer appropriate plea deals.

HB 180 supports New Hampshire’s commitment to strengthen demand deterrence and offender accountability. We commend the Committee’s dedication to this issue and encourage you to support HB 180.

Sincerely,

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See attached letter.  
Thank you.

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To the Members of House CJPS Committee:

I respectfully urge you to support HB 180, increasing the penalty for buyers under the law regarding trafficking in persons. I agree with the sponsors that it's in the best interest of children to give prosecutors the option of filing a class A felony charge against individuals who pay for sex from trafficked minors.

Thank you.  
Ellen Kolb  
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I have attached written testimony on our opposition to HB 180. I was not allowed to offer oral testimony. I am happy to discuss this bill if any of the Committee members have questions or concerns. Thank you!

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Representatives - Attached is a letter in support of HB 180. Thank you for considering our views.

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The Honorable Congressman Daryl Abbas, Chairman, and House Committee Members:

Human trafficking is surely a crime that rises to the level of being a Class A felony. That position should have the unanimous bipartisan agreement of this committee. Please vote accordingly, and please enter my comment as stated above, into the legislative records of this committee. RSVP.  
Thank you.

Very truly yours,  
T.J. Carney  
Dublin, NH

Sent from my iPhone

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HB 180 - AS INTRODUCED

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HOUSE BILL

***180***

AN ACT                    increasing the penalty for buyers under the law regarding trafficking in persons.

SPONSORS:            Rep. Massimilla, Graf. 1; Rep. Katsakiores, Rock. 6; Rep. Ebel, Merr. 5; Rep. Klee, Hills. 30; Rep. Mangipudi, Hills. 35; Rep. Egan, Graf. 2

COMMITTEE:          Criminal Justice and Public Safety

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ANALYSIS

This bill changes the penalty for a person who pays to engage in sexual contact with another person under the age of 18 who is a victim of human trafficking.

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Explanation:          Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.  
Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struckthrough.]~~  
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

*In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty One*

AN ACT                    increasing the penalty for buyers under the law regarding trafficking in persons.

*Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:*

1            1   Interference With Freedom; Trafficking in Persons. Amend RSA 633:7, III-a to read as  
2 follows:

3            III-a. A person is guilty of a ~~[class-B]~~ **class A** felony if the person pays, agrees to pay, or  
4 offers to pay to engage in sexual contact, as defined in RSA 632-A:1 or sexual penetration, as defined  
5 in RSA 632-A:1, V with a person under the age of 18, or to observe a sexually explicit performance  
6 involving a person under the age of 18. The payment or offer or agreement to pay may be made to  
7 the person under the age of 18 or a third party. Neither the actor's lack of knowledge of the other  
8 person's age nor consent of the other person shall constitute a defense to a charge under this  
9 paragraph.

10           2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect January 1, 2022.