

**104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY****State of Illinois****2025 and 2026****HB5783**

Introduced 5/20/2026, by Rep. Justin Slaughter

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

720 ILCS 5/11-18.2 new

Amends the Criminal Code of 2012. Provides that, in addition to any other disposition authorized by law, the court shall order any person arrested for patronizing a person engaged in the sex trade to participate in the Epstein Accountability Program and pay a fine based on the defendant's net income. Provides for the distribution of the fines. Establishes an education program to be known as the Epstein Accountability Program, which shall consist of an instructional program on prostitution and human trafficking schemes offered in one or more locations throughout the State. Establishes who may establish the program in various areas of the State. Provides that the program shall include information intended to increase the person's awareness of: (1) the causes of prostitution and its relationship to human trafficking; (2) the health and safety risks connected with prostitution, including its impact on the community; (3) the consequences of convictions for prostitution or human trafficking, including penalties for subsequent convictions on both patronizers and victims; and (4) the pervasiveness of human trafficking as well as the long-term physical and psychological harms of prostitution and human trafficking on its victims. Provides that a program must be approved by the Attorney General. Provides that the Attorney General shall notify the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts that the program has been established and approved by the Attorney General.

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1 AN ACT concerning criminal law.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Criminal Code of 2012 is amended by adding
5 Section 11-18.2 as follows:

6 (720 ILCS 5/11-18.2 new)

7 Sec. 11-18.2. Patronizing a person engaged in the sex
8 trade; assessment.

9 (a) In addition to any other disposition authorized by
10 law, the court shall order any person arrested for patronizing
11 a person engaged in the sex trade as provided under Section
12 11-18 to participate in the Epstein Accountability Program
13 established under subsection (d).

14 (b) The court may impose a fine, in addition to but not in
15 lieu of other criminal penalties, for a violation of
16 subsection (a) by using the following schedule and ordering
17 the convicted person to submit a financial disclosure
18 statement to the court indicating the convicted person's net
19 annual taxable income:

20 Amount of net taxable
21 income:

Schedule of Fines:

22 Less than \$30,000

\$200

1	<u>\$30,000 or more but</u>	
2	<u>less than \$50,000</u>	<u>\$500</u>
3	<u>\$50,000 or more but</u>	
4	<u>less than \$75,000</u>	<u>\$750</u>
5	<u>\$75,000 or more but</u>	
6	<u>less than \$100,000</u>	<u>\$1,000</u>
7	<u>\$100,000 or more but</u>	
8	<u>less than \$150,000</u>	<u>\$2,000</u>
9	<u>\$150,000 or more but</u>	
10	<u>less than \$200,000</u>	<u>\$3,000</u>
11	<u>\$200,000 or more but</u>	
12	<u>less than \$500,000</u>	<u>\$7,500</u>
13	<u>\$500,000 or more but</u>	
14	<u>less than \$1,000,000</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>
15	<u>\$1,000,000 or more but</u>	
16	<u>less than \$5,000,000</u>	<u>\$25,000</u>
17	<u>\$5,000,000 or more but</u>	
18	<u>less than \$20,000,000</u>	<u>\$50,000</u>
19	<u>\$20,000,000 or more but</u>	
20	<u>less than \$100,000,000</u>	<u>\$100,000</u>
21	<u>\$100,000,000 or more but</u>	
22	<u>less than \$500,000,000</u>	<u>\$500,000</u>
23	<u>\$500,000,000 or more</u>	<u>\$1,000,000</u>

24 (c) Each fine assessed as required by this Section shall
25 be collected by the court, and deposited into the Specialized

1 Services for Survivors of Human Trafficking Fund established
2 by Section 5-9-1.21 of the Unified Code of Corrections. From
3 this fine, 60% shall be retained in the fund and the remaining
4 40% shall be distributed as follows:

5 (1) 75% to the approved provider of the Epstein
6 Accountability Program, as established under subsection
7 (d), attended by the person; and

8 (2) 25% to the law enforcement agency that arrested
9 the person resulting in that person's arrest.

10 (d)(1) There is established an education program to be
11 known as the Epstein Accountability Program, which shall
12 consist of an instructional program on prostitution and human
13 trafficking schemes offered in one or more locations
14 throughout the State as follows:

15 (A) by a local public entity, as defined in Section
16 1-206 of the Local Governmental and Governmental Employees
17 Tort Immunity Act, alone or in partnership with a
18 nonprofit, pertaining to the proposed operation of an
19 instructional program by the local public entity, or
20 alternatively, by a nonprofit or other private provider on
21 behalf of the local public entity and the Attorney
22 General. If a local public entity establishes and operates
23 an instructional program, then all courts operating within
24 the jurisdiction of that local public entity shall order a
25 person convicted of an eligible offense under subsection
26 (a) to attend that local public entity's program. A court

1 shall not be required to order a person to attend that
2 program until the first day of the month next following
3 the date on which the Attorney General notifies the
4 Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts that the
5 program has been established and approved by the Attorney
6 General; and

7 (B) the program shall be established within 6 months
8 of the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 104th
9 General Assembly. Any court in a jurisdiction that does
10 not have an approved local public entity instructional
11 program as established under subparagraph (A) of this
12 paragraph shall order a person charged with an eligible
13 offense under subsection (a) to attend the approved State
14 program established under this subparagraph, unless there
15 is an extra-jurisdictional local public entity
16 instructional program within 25 miles of the court, and
17 the court has been notified in accordance with this
18 subparagraph, or subparagraph (A) of this paragraph, of
19 the availability of that program to accept participants
20 from the court, in which case the court may instead order a
21 person to attend the local public entity's instructional
22 program; regarding any program notice under this
23 subparagraph, a court shall not be required to order a
24 person to attend a program until the first day of the month
25 next following the date on which the Attorney General
26 notifies the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts

1 that the program has been established and approved by the
2 Attorney General.

3 (2) The program shall include information intended to
4 increase the person's awareness of:

5 (A) the causes of prostitution and its relationship to
6 human trafficking;

7 (B) the health and safety risks connected with
8 prostitution, including its impact on the community;

9 (C) the consequences of convictions for prostitution
10 or human trafficking, including penalties for subsequent
11 convictions on both patronizers and victims; and

12 (D) the pervasiveness of human trafficking as well as
13 the long-term physical and psychological harms of
14 prostitution and human trafficking on its victims.