

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0010

Human trafficking-penalty for subsequent conviction.

Sponsored by: Joint Judiciary Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to crimes and offenses; providing a penalty
2 for subsequent convictions of human trafficking as
3 specified; making conforming amendments; specifying
4 applicability; and providing for an effective date.

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6 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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8 **Section 1.** W.S. 6-2-712 is created to read:

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10 **6-2-712. Penalties for subsequent human trafficking**
11 **convictions.**

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13 (a) A person who is convicted of human trafficking
14 under W.S. 6-2-702 or 6-2-703 shall be punished by
15 imprisonment for not less than twenty-five (25) years or
16 for life imprisonment without parole if:

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2 (i) The victim in the instant case was a minor;

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4 (ii) The person has one (1) or more previous
5 convictions for a violation of W.S. 6-2-702, 6-2-703 or a
6 criminal statute containing the same or similar elements as
7 the crimes defined by W.S. 6-2-702 or 6-2-703 where the
8 victim was a minor and which arose out of separate
9 occurrences in this state or elsewhere; and

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11 (iii) The convictions were for offenses
12 committed after the person reached eighteen (18) years of
13 age.

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15 **Section 2.** W.S. 6-2-702(b) and 6-2-703(b) are amended
16 to read:

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18 **6-2-702. Human trafficking in the first degree;**
19 **penalty.**

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21 (b) Except as provided in W.S. 6-2-712(a), human
22 trafficking in the first degree is a felony punishable by
23 imprisonment for not less than five (5) nor more than fifty

1 (50) years unless the victim is a minor in which case it is
2 a felony punishable by imprisonment for not less than
3 twenty-five (25) nor more than fifty (50) years and a fine
4 of not more than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00), or
5 both.

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7 **6-2-703. Human trafficking in the second degree;**
8 **penalty.**

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10 (b) Except as provided in W.S. 6-2-712(a), human
11 trafficking in the second degree is a felony punishable by
12 imprisonment for not less than two (2) nor more than twenty
13 (20) years and a fine of not more than ten thousand dollars
14 (\$10,000.00), or both.

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16 **Section 3.** The provisions of this act shall apply to
17 crimes committed on or after the effective date of this
18 act.

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20 **Section 4.** This act is effective July 1, 2020.

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