Services for Survivors of Human Trafficking SB 3558



BILL STATUS: Passed Senate 57-0-0 on April 9; Passed House Judiciary 15-0-0 on May 7

Chief House Sponsor: Ann Williams

Chief House Co-Sponsors: Michael J. Zalewski - John D. Anthony - Dennis M. Reboletti - Robert F. Martwick

Chief Senate Sponsor: Toi Hutchinson

Chief Senate Co-Sponsors: Karen McConnaughay - Kwame Raoul - William Delgado - Dale Righter

Thousands of survivors of human trafficking and prostitution have no access to the specialized services that could help them find a way out.

In fact, Illinois only has 12 beds for women and girls who have been exploited.

Resources such as:

safe drop-in centers

And other meaningful alternatives could help people survive exploitation and mentor those who need support.

Solution?

SB 3558 proposes funding streams to pay for the creation of specialized services and creates a new fund at IDHS.



Illinois needs **community based programs** that offer cost effective alternatives to expensive institutional settings.



New funding streams will provide prosecutors with informed training human trafficking



Pimps, traffickers, and people who buy sex should begin to **pay for the harm** they cause.

How Does SB 3558 Work?

Proposes fines against pimps, traffickers, and people who buy sex.

Expands forfeiture to those convicted of promoting prostitution.

Creates new fund at IDHS for grants to support specialized services.

Services for Survivors of Human Trafficking SB 3558



Supporting Organizations

Chicago Alliance Against Sexual Exploitation

Chicago Children's Advocacy Center

Chicago Coalition for the Homeless

Chicago Legal Advocacy for Incarcerated Mothers

Community Renewal Society

Heartland Alliance

Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault

Lutheran Advocacy Illinois

Mujeres Latinas en Acción

Project IRENE

Polaris Project

Prologue Inc.

Safer Foundation

Schiller DuCanto & Fleck Family Law Center, DePaul University

Traffick Free