

CHAPTER 92—H. F. No. 82.

An Act to amend section 4927 and 4930 of the Revised Laws of Minnesota for 1905, relating to the Carnal Knowledge of Children and Abduction.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Punishment for carnal abuse.—Section 1. That section four thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven (4927) be amended so as to read:

Every person who shall carnally know and abuse any female child under the age of eighteen years shall be punished as follows:

1. When such child is under the age of ten years, by imprisonment in the state prison for life.
2. When such child is ten and under the age of fourteen years, by imprisonment in the state prison for not less than seven nor more than thirty years.
3. When such child is fourteen and under the age of eighteen years, by imprisonment in the state prison for not more than seven years, or by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than one year.

Punishment for enticement.—Sec. 2. That section four thousand nine hundred and thirty (4930) be amended so as to read:

Every person who—

1. Shall take a female under the age of eighteen years, for the purpose of prostitution or sexual intercourse, or, without the consent of her father, mother, guardian or other person having legal charge of her person, for the purpose of marriage;
2. Shall inveigle or entice an unmarried female under the age of twenty-five years, of previous chaste character, into a house of ill fame or assignation, or elsewhere for the purpose of prostitution or sexual intercourse;
3. Shall take or detain a woman unlawfully against her will, with intent to compel her by force, menace, or duress to marry him or any other person, or to be defiled, or,
4. Being parent, guardian, or other person having legal charge of the person of a female under the age of eighteen years, shall consent to her taking or detention by any person for the purpose of prostitution or sexual intercourse—

Shall be guilty of abduction and punished by imprisonment in the state prison for not more than five years, or by a fine of not more than one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars, or both.

But no conviction shall be had for abduction or compulsory marriage upon the unsupported testimony of the female abducted or compelled.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 24, 1909.