

**299A.71 COMBATING JUVENILE PROSTITUTION; PREVENTION GRANTS.**

Subdivision 1. **Establishment.** A grant program is established for enhanced law enforcement efforts and peace officer education and training to combat juvenile prostitution. The goal of the grants is to provide peace officers with the knowledge and skills to recognize individuals who sexually exploit youth, charge and prosecute these individuals for promotion and solicitation of prostitution, and effectively communicate with the victims of juvenile prostitution.

Subd. 2. **Eligibility.** The commissioner of public safety shall make juvenile prostitution prevention grants to local law enforcement agencies to provide enhanced efforts targeted to juvenile prostitution and training and staff development relating to the prevention of juvenile prostitution. The law enforcement agency must utilize all of the grant funding received for efforts to combat juvenile prostitution.

Subd. 3. **Grant application.** A local law enforcement agency must submit an application to the commissioner of public safety in the form and manner the commissioner establishes.

**History:** 2000 c 488 art 6 s 6