HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIMS COMPENSATION ACT

Act 339 of 2014

AN ACT to provide remedies for the victims of human trafficking.

History: 2014, Act 339, Eff. Jan. 14, 2015

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

752.981 Short title.

Sec. 1.

This act shall be known and may be cited as the "human trafficking victims compensation act".

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752.982 "Victim" defined.

Sec. 2.

As used in this act, "victim" means a victim of a violation of chapter LXVIIA of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.462a to 750.462h.

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752.983 Violation of MCL 750.462a to 750.462h; liability to victim; damages.

Sec. 3.

(1) A person who violates chapter LXVIIA of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.462a to 750.462h, is liable to the victim of the violation for economic and noneconomic damages that result from the violation, including, but not limited to, all of the following:

(a) Physical pain and suffering.

(b) Mental anguish.

(c) Fright and shock.

(d) Denial of social pleasure and enjoyments.

(e) Embarrassment, humiliation, or mortification.

(f) Disability.

(g) Disfigurement.

(h) Aggravation of a preexisting ailment or condition.

(i) Reasonable expenses of necessary medical or psychological care, treatment, and services.

(j) Loss of earnings or earning capacity.

(k) Damage to property.

(l) Any other necessary and reasonable expense incurred as a result of the violation.

(2) A victim is entitled to damages under subsection (1) to the extent the victim has sustained the damages, regardless of whether the victim suffered any physical injury as a result of the violation.

(3) A victim is entitled to damages under subsection (1) regardless of whether the damages sustained were foreseeable to the violator.

(4) A victim is entitled to damages under subsection (1) regardless of whether the violator was charged with or convicted of a violation of chapter LXVIIA of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.462a to 750.462h.

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752.984 Action to recover damages; statute of limitations.

Sec. 4.

An action to recover damages under section 3 must be filed within 3 years after the last violation that is the subject of the action occurred.

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752.985 Recovery of damages under other laws.

Sec. 5.

This act does not affect any right that a victim has to recover damages under other law.

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