

Prop 313

11 Statutes, is amended by adding section 13-720, to read:

12 13-720. Child sex trafficking: felony: natural
13 life: sentencing

14 NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER LAW, IF A PERSON IS CONVICTED
15 OF A CLASS 2 FELONY FOR CHILD SEX TRAFFICKING PURSUANT TO
16 SECTION 13-3212, THE PERSON SHALL BE SENTENCED TO IMPRISONMENT
17 IN THE CUSTODY OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS FOR
18 NATURAL LIFE. A PERSON WHO IS SENTENCED TO NATURAL LIFE IS
19 NOT ELIGIBLE FOR ANY FORM OF RELEASE.

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Representative Quang Nguyen's Legislation to Crack Down on Sexual Predators Signed into Law

STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX – Legislation sponsored by Arizona State Representative Quang Nguyen, Chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, to strengthen penalties for adults who prey on minors has been signed into law.

HB2114 upgrades the penalty for adults over the age of 21 who engage in sexual conduct with a minor aged 15 to 17, increasing the offense from a class 6 felony to a class 4 felony when the offender is more than five years older than the victim. The new law also mandates a minimum one-year jail sentence if the offender is granted probation.

“Adults who target vulnerable teenagers for sex deserve real consequences—not leniency,” said Representative Nguyen. “This law protects minors and makes it absolutely clear that Arizona will not tolerate this deviant predatory behavior. If you’re an adult who thinks it’s acceptable to exploit a 15-, 16-, or 17-year-old, you’re going to face serious prison time.”

The bill received broad bipartisan support in both chambers and is now part of Arizona’s statute.

HB2114 directly aligns with the House Republican Majority Plan’s commitment to make Arizona safer, defend the rule of law, and support victims—not offenders.

The new law takes effect on the general effective date later this year.

Prostitution - Definition

- Engaging in or agreeing or offering to engage in sexual conduct under a fee arrangement with any person for money or any other valuable consideration.

50 yo and 15 yo have sex

- Not position of trust: 4F (1 – 3.75 years DOC or probation plus 1 yr flat)
- Position of Trust: 2F (3 – 12.5 flat)

50 yo rapes 15 yo

- 5.25 – 14 flat

50 yo offers \$ for sex to U/C (playing 15 yo)

- Natural life in prison

Same sentences apply if

- D is 22 and V is 17

17 yo agrees to have sex with 17 yo

- Not prosecutable.

17 yo offers \$ to 17 yo for sex

- Natural life in prison.

Dad has sex with 14 yo bio child

- 13 – 27 flat

Dad has sex with 15 yo bio child

- Class 2 (3 – 12.5 flat)

Same dad has sex with any minor and offers \$

- Natural life in prison.

Natural Life

- Applies to “bottoms”
- Applies to those who were juveniles at time of offense (if tried as adult)
- Applies to stings (not just actual sex with a minor)
- Harsher than 2nd degree murder