

AN ACT

RELATING TO CRIMINAL LAW; REVISING PENALTIES FOR SEXUAL
EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN BY PROSTITUTION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. Section 30-6A-1 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1984,
Chapter 92, Section 1) is amended to read:

"30-6A-1. SHORT TITLE.--Chapter 30, Article 6A NMSA
1978 may be cited as the "Sexual Exploitation of Children
Act"."

SECTION 2. Section 30-6A-4 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1984,
Chapter 92, Section 4, as amended) is amended to read:

"30-6A-4. SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN BY
PROSTITUTION.--

A. Any person knowingly receiving any pecuniary
profit as a result of a child under the age of sixteen
engaging in a prohibited sexual act with another is guilty of
a second degree felony, unless the child is under the age of
thirteen, in which event the person is guilty of a first
degree felony.

B. Any person knowingly hiring or offering to hire
a child under the age of sixteen to engage in any prohibited
sexual act is guilty of a second degree felony.

C. Any parent, legal guardian or person having
custody or control of a child under sixteen years of age who

knowingly permits that child to engage in or to assist any other person to engage in any prohibited sexual act or simulation of such an act for the purpose of producing any visual or print medium depicting such an act is guilty of a third degree felony."

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the provisions of this act is July 1, 2015. _____