



Dear House Judiciary Committee,

I'm writing this email to oppose the bills: S 2934, S 2225, S 2441, H 7165 and S 7165.

I know first hand the harms of the commercial sex trade because I am a survivor of sex trafficking.. I was prostituted for five years from 19-24 years old. I was in college and worked as a hairdresser when I met the man who would sell my body and soul.

Once I got out from under him, I would be pushed back into prostitution. Not with a pimp, but with a growing drug habit. I just wanted the pain to go away but it got worse as the years went on.

I never dreamed I would become a prostitute/drug addict. I came from a hard working, blue collar family on the Northshore of Massachusetts.

I have been out of that life for 17 years and I have been working in the anti-trafficking movement for 12. I have seen the devastation that the commercial sex trade continues to produce through the women that I work with. If these bills are to pass, they will be harmful to many vulnerable and exploited victims in Rhode Island.

In Gratitude,

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