

Policing and Crime Act 2009

2009 CHAPTER 26

PART 2

SEXUAL OFFENCES AND SEX ESTABLISHMENTS

Prostitution

14 Paying for sexual services of a prostitute subjected to force etc: England and Wales

After section 53 of the Sexual Offences Act 2003 (c. 42) insert—

"53A Paying for sexual services of a prostitute subjected to force etc.

- (1) A person (A) commits an offence if—
 - (a) A makes or promises payment for the sexual services of a prostitute (B),
 - (b) a third person (C) has engaged in exploitative conduct of a kind likely to induce or encourage B to provide the sexual services for which A has made or promised payment, and
 - (c) C engaged in that conduct for or in the expectation of gain for C or another person (apart from A or B).
- (2) The following are irrelevant—
 - (a) where in the world the sexual services are to be provided and whether those services are provided,
 - (b) whether A is, or ought to be, aware that C has engaged in exploitative conduct.
- (3) C engages in exploitative conduct if—
 - (a) C uses force, threats (whether or not relating to violence) or any other form of coercion, or
 - (b) C practises any form of deception.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

(4) A person guilty of an offence under this section is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale."