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- 1 AN ACT Relating to unlawful harboring of a minor; and amending
- 2 13.32A.080.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 Sec. 1. RCW 13.32A.080 and 1981 c 298 s 6 are each amended to read
- 5 as follows:
- 6 (1) (a) A person commits the crime of unlawful harboring of a minor
- 7 if the person provides shelter to a minor without the consent of a
- 8 parent of the minor and after the person knows that the minor is away
- 9 from the home of the parent, without the parent's permission, and if
- 10 the person intentionally:
- 11 (i) Fails to release the minor to a law enforcement officer after
- 12 being requested to do so by the officer; or
- 13 (ii) Fails to disclose the location of the minor to a law
- 14 enforcement officer after being requested to do so by the officer, if
- 15 the person knows the location of the minor and had either taken the

- 1 minor to that location or had assisted the minor in reaching that
- 2 location; or
- 3 (iii) Obstructs a law enforcement officer from taking the minor
- 4 into custody; or
- 5 (iv) Assists the minor in avoiding or attempting to avoid the
- 6 custody of the law enforcement officer; or
- 7 (v) Provides shelter to any minor after 11:00 p.m. and before 6:00
- 8 a.m. without contacting the parent or guardian of the minor or, when
- 9 the parent or guardian cannot be contacted, or when identification of
- 10 parents cannot be determined, without contacting law enforcement or the
- 11 <u>department of social and health services</u>.
- 12 (b) It is a defense to a prosecution under this section that the
- 13 defendant had custody of the minor pursuant to a court order.
- 14 (2) Harboring a minor is punishable as a misdemeanor if the
- 15 offender has not been previously convicted under this section and a
- 16 gross misdemeanor if the offender has been previously convicted under
- 17 this section.
- 18 (3) Any person who provides shelter to a child, absent from home,
- 19 ((may)) shall notify the department's local community service office of
- 20 the child's presence within eight hours.
- 21 (4) An adult responsible for involving a child in the commission of
- 22 an offense may be prosecuted under existing criminal statutes
- 23 including, but not limited to:
- 24 (a) Distribution of a controlled substance to a minor, as defined
- 25 in RCW 69.50.406;
- 26 (b) Promoting prostitution as defined in chapter 9A.88 RCW; and
- 27 (c) Complicity of the adult in the crime of a minor, under RCW
- 28 9A.08.020.