

# FINAL BILL REPORT

## SB 6376

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Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description:** Recognizing human trafficking awareness day.

**Sponsors:** Senators Fraser, Roach, McCoy, Conway, Hasegawa, Padden, Carlyle, Liias, Nelson, O'Ban, Darneille, Chase and Jayapal.

**Senate Committee on Human Services, Mental Health & Housing**  
**Senate Committee on Law & Justice**  
**House Committee on State Government**

**Background:** Washington State recognizes 10 specific days, all Sundays and one other day that an employee of the state may select, as state legal holidays. Fourteen more specific days are recognized by the Legislature, but not considered legal holidays. These recognized days include Korean-American Day, Columbus Day, Former Prisoner of War Recognition Day, Washington Army and Air National Guard Day, Purple Heart Recipient Recognition Day, Children's Day, Mother Joseph Day, Marcus Whitman Day, Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day, Korean War Veterans Armistice Day, Civil Liberties Day of Remembrance, Juneteenth, Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day, and Arbor Day. Recognized days that are not state legal holidays are not paid holidays for state employees.

Human trafficking occurs when a person recruits, harbors, transports, transfers, provides, obtains, buys, purchases, or receives a person who will be engaged by means of force, fraud, or coercion in forced labor, involuntary servitude, a sexual act or acts including commercial sex acts or sex acts involving persons who are underage, or benefits financially from the same.

**Summary:** January 11th of each year is recognized as Human Trafficking Awareness Day. An intent section describes the history of human trafficking legislation in Washington.

**Votes on Final Passage:**

Senate	49	0
House	96	1

**Effective:** June 9, 2016

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