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**CHAPTER 420.**

AN ACT to create sections 4581h—1, 4581h—2 and 4581h—3 of the statutes, relating to pandering, providing for the punishment thereof, and for the competency of witnesses at the trial thereof.

*The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. There are added to the statutes three new sections to read: Section 4581h—1. Any person who shall knowingly accept, receive, levy or appropriate any money or other valuable thing, without consideration, from the proceeds of the earnings of any woman engaged in prostitution, shall be deemed guilty of a felony, and on conviction thereof shall be punished by imprisonment for a period not less than two nor more than twenty years. Any such acceptance, receipt, levy or appropriation of such money or valuable thing, shall upon any proceeding or trial for violation of this section be presumptive evidence of lack of consideration.

Section 4581h—2. It shall not be a defense to a prosecution for any of the acts prohibited by sections 4581a to 4581g, inclusive, of the statutes, that any part of such act or acts shall have been committed outside this state, and the offense shall shall in such case be deemed and alleged to have committed, and the offender tried and punished in any county in which the prostitution was intended to be practiced or in which the offense was consummated, or any overt act in furtherance of the offense shall have been committed.

Section 4581h—3. Any such female person referred to in sections 4581a to 4581g, inclusive, of the statutes, shall be a competent witness in any prosecution under this act to testify for or against the accused as to any transaction or as to any conversation with the accused or by him with another person or persons in her presence, notwithstanding her having married the accused before or after the violation of any of the provisions of this act, whether called as a witness during the existence of the marriage or after its dissolution.

(Am. 1911, c. 664, s. 68.)

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved June 21, 1911.