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Republic of Latvia

Cabinet

Regulation No. 32

Adopted 22 January 2008

Regulations Regarding Restriction of Prostitution

*Issued pursuant to
Paragraph 3, Sub-paragraph 2
of Transitional Provisions of the Criminal Law*

1. This Regulation prescribes the procedures by which prostitution (provision of sexual services for fee) shall be restricted.
2. A minor or a person who does not have a health card is prohibited to be engaged in prostitution. A person who is engaged in prostitution (hereinafter – person) shall be issued a health card (Annex) by a dermatologist or venereologist after the initial health examination. The Centre of Health Economics shall issue a health card which is drawn up in the form of booklet (the size of which is 10 cm x 10 cm) to medical treatment institutions and physicians.
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3. A person is allowed to offer or provide sexual services for fee only in a living space which is his or her property or regarding which he or she has entered into a rental contract.
4. A person is prohibited to offer or provide sexual services for fee, as well as to receive such services in the living space referred to in Paragraph 3 of this Regulation:
 - 4.1. if it is located less than 100 meters from an educational institution or church;
 - 4.2. if a minor is present therein; or
 - 4.3. if other persons living in this space or house where the room is located, object against it.
5. If the State police or local government police receives a submission in accordance with Sub-paragraph 4.3 of this Regulation and recognises it as substantiated, it shall inform the person regarding restriction to be engaged in prostitution.
6. Persons are prohibited to join in groups in order to offer and provide sexual services for fee, as well as to receive orders for the provision of sexual services for fee.
7. The managers of entertainment and recreational establishments shall ensure that sexual services for fee are not offered, provided and received in these establishments.

8. A person shall have his or her health examined by a dermatologist or venereologist once a month. The dermatologist or venereologist shall make an entry regarding the state of health of the person in the health card.

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9. A person is prohibited to be engaged in prostitution during medical treatment and medicinal or serological observation until the receipt of the opinion of the dermatologist or venereologist regarding clinical recovery, if the person has been diagnosed with one of the following diseases:

- 9.1. anogenital herpesviral infection;
- 9.2. dermatophytoses (microsporosis, trichophytia);
- 9.3. phthiriasis pubis;
- 9.4. gonococcal infection;
- 9.5. sexually transmitted diseases caused by chlamydia;
- 9.6. scabies;
- 9.7. leprosy; or
- 9.8. syphilis.

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10. Persons in whose blood HIV antibodies have been discovered or who have been diagnosed with AIDS are prohibited to be engaged in prostitution.

11. It is prohibited to offer and advertise sexual services in the Internet, press and other mass media (except for issues of erotic nature), as well as via other persons.

12. Any activity of the third person which promotes prostitution is prohibited.

13. A person, upon the request of a client, shall present a health card.

14. The fulfilment of this Regulation shall be controlled by the State Police and local government police in accordance with the competence thereof. The professional quality of health examinations in medical treatment institutions shall be controlled by the Health Inspectorate.

15. Persons shall be held liable regarding non-observance of this Regulation in accordance with the regulatory enactments regulating administrative and criminal liability.

16. Cabinet Regulation No. 210 of 22 May 2001, *Regulations Regarding Restriction of Prostitution (Latvijas Vēstnesis, 2001, No. 80; 2003, No. 167; 2007, No. 28)* is repealed.

Prime Minister

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Annex
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Health Card

Place for photograph	1.	Personal identity number [] [] [] [] [] [] [] - [] [] [] [] [] []
	2.	Date of issue (dd.mm.yyyy) [] []. [] []. [] [] [] []
	3.	Health card number _____
	4.	Name of the medical treatment institution _____
	5.	Medical practitioner _____ (signature and full name)

Place for a seal

6. Examination by dermatologist, venereologist			
Date	Opinion	Name of the medical treatment institution	Signature and seal of the physician

Minister for the Interior

M. Segliņš