

4. Any person who, being the owner *and* occupier of any premises, or having, or acting, or assisting in, the management or control thereof, induces or knowingly suffers any girl of such age as is in this section mentioned, to resort to or be in or upon such premises for the purpose of being unlawfully and carnally known by any *man*\*, whether such carnal knowledge is intended to be with any particular *man* or generally

(1) shall, if such girl is under the age of twelve years, be guilty of felony . . . . . and

(2) if such girl is of or above the age of twelve and under the age of sixteen years shall be guilty of a misdemeanour . . . . .

*Provided* that it shall be a sufficient defence . . . . . that the person so charged had reasonable cause to believe that the girl was of or above the age of sixteen years.

5. No person shall be convicted of any offence under this act upon the evidence of one witness, unless said witness be corroborated in some material particular by evidence implicating the accused.

6. In every case arising under this act the defendant shall be a competent witness in his own behalf upon any charge or complaint against him.

7. No prosecution under this act shall be commenced after the expiration of one year from the time of committing the offence.

8. Any person convicted of any offence under this act shall be liable to imprisonment for two years in a penitentiary, or for a less term in any other place of confinement, in the discretion of the court having jurisdiction.

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\* The words in italics unduly limit the scope of the clause.