

POLICY GOAL 4.4 State law mandates restitution for child sex trafficking and commercial sexual exploitation of children (CSEC) offenses.

| State ¹ | Does state law mandate restitution for child sex trafficking offenses? ² | Does state law mandate restitution for one or more CSEC offenses? |
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| Alabama | Yes | Yes |
| Alaska | Yes | Yes |
| Arizona | Yes | Yes |
| Arkansas | No; discretionary | No; discretionary |
| California | Yes | Yes |
| Colorado | Yes | Yes |
| Connecticut | Yes | Yes |
| Delaware | Yes | No |
| District of Columbia | No; discretionary | No; discretionary |
| Florida | Yes | Yes |
| Georgia | Yes | Yes |
| Hawaii | Yes | Yes |
| Idaho | Yes | Yes |
| Illinois | Yes | Yes |
| Indiana | Yes | No; discretionary |
| Iowa | Yes | Yes |
| Kansas | Yes | Yes |
| Kentucky | No | Yes |
| Louisiana | Yes | Yes |
| Maine | Yes | Yes |
| Maryland | No; discretionary | No; discretionary |
| Massachusetts | No; authorizes victim to make request | No; authorizes victim to make request |
| Michigan | Yes | Yes |
| Minnesota | Yes | Yes |

¹ Evaluations of state laws are based on legislation enacted as of July 1, 2023. Responses do not include an analysis of case law, agency rules, regulations, or practices/initiatives that exist outside of statutory law. For more information on the importance of this policy goal, please visit <https://reportcards.sharedhope.org/related-resources/#4.4>.

² A “yes” response in either column indicates that restitution is either expressly available for the relevant offense(s) or broadly available for victims of any criminal offense. Limitations and other procedural barriers may still apply.

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| Mississippi | Yes | No; discretionary |
| Missouri | Yes | No; discretionary |
| Montana | Yes | Yes |
| Nebraska | No; discretionary | No; discretionary |
| Nevada | No; discretionary | No; discretionary |
| New Hampshire | Yes | No; discretionary |
| New Jersey | Yes | No; discretionary |
| New Mexico | Yes | No; policy to grant restitution for any offense |
| New York | Yes | Yes |
| North Carolina | Yes | Yes |
| North Dakota | Yes | Yes |
| Ohio | Yes | Yes |
| Oklahoma | Yes | Yes |
| Oregon | Yes | Yes |
| Pennsylvania | Yes | Yes |
| Rhode Island | Yes ³ | No; discretionary |
| South Carolina | Yes | Yes |
| South Dakota | Yes | No; discretionary |
| Tennessee | Yes | Yes |
| Texas | Yes | Yes |
| Utah | Yes | Yes |
| Vermont | Yes | No; discretionary |
| Virginia | Yes | Yes |
| Washington | Yes | Yes |
| West Virginia | Yes | Yes |
| Wisconsin | Yes | Yes |
| Wyoming | Yes | Yes |
| Totals: | 44 states mandate restitution for child sex trafficking offenses. 6 other states⁴ make restitution discretionary—or otherwise authorize restitution—for child sex trafficking offenses. | 35 states mandate restitution for one or more CSEC offenses. 15 other states⁵ make restitution discretionary—or otherwise authorize restitution—for one or more CSEC offenses. |

³ However, R.I. Gen. Laws Ann. § 11-67.1-10 (Restitution) does not mandate restitution for violations of Rhode Island’s buyer-applicable trafficking laws, R.I. Gen. Laws Ann. § 11-67.1-6 (Patronizing a victim of sexual servitude) or R.I. Gen. Laws Ann. § 11-67.1-7 (Patronizing a minor for commercial sexual activity).

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