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This act amends section 609.5312 pertaining to forfeiture of property associated with designated offenses. In particular, it authorizes forfeiture of money used or intended to be used to facilitate the commission of a prostitution or sex trafficking offense.

Distribution of the proceeds would fall under a new statutory distribution formula:

- 40 percent to law enforcement;
- 20 percent to prosecuting agency; and
- 40 percent for DPS safe harbor grants to organizations providing services to sexually exploited youth.