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We understand that the issue of prostitution raises strong feelings on both sides of the great arguments for their cause. The problem as we see it is that there has been a polarization that puts opponents of the sex-purchase Act as an advocate of threats, violence and humiliation of women. Thus it is understandable that Daniel Ahs's move has stirred controversy. We are very positive that the issue is raised even when the substantive issue has been distorted.

The main purpose of buying sex law seems to have been to clarify the position that here in Sweden we will not tolerate prostitution. This has been done on the prostitutes' expense. To prostitutes, it is very difficult to get help, support and protection. The rule of law is nonexistent for these women. For a prostitute, it is almost impossible to be believed, for instance, a rape - you can not rape a whore. Knowing that a drug treatment would be a witch hunt on their person and their customers is enough for many to abstain.

There are women who have gone out in the media and said that they enjoy their lives and that the abuse they experience from well-meaning feminists who will talk about how they feel and what it means to be a prostitute. At the heart of feminist theory is to listen to women's stories and believe them. To consistently say that women who prostitute and who say they like it just do not know their own best interest is in this sense a strange definition of theory.

The question we must ask ourselves is not really that if we think that prostitution is morally right or true, or of prostitution from a feminist perspective is objectionable. The question we must ask ourselves is how we can protect the most vulnerable and if that's what we do with buying sex law as it stands today.

Today there is no way to help women in prostitution who are addicted or who are in prostitution involuntarily. The thing is if it is morally justifiable to deprive prostitutes in their right to be heard. We do not believe in the happy whore as a concept, and the use of this is not helpful, but allows only one further polarizing the debate.

The previous Socialist government consistently opposed an evaluation of sex-purchase law on the grounds that this could be interpreted as criticism of the same. This means that the current situation in the absence of comprehensive studies on sex-purchase Act implications. To learn more, we need to find us one of Sweden analogue country.

New Zealand had a law similar to ours that they 5 years ago set aside, in the same way we seek. The result was that in which the consequences that opponents said would not have occurred,

buying sex has not increased in number and the prostitutes are experiencing a greater security and protection from society.

Feminism is not to create laws that further marginalizes an already vulnerable group of women.

Feminism is not to deny women their fundamental right to security and protection.

Feminism is to ensure the needs of each individual and work towards a society that is supportive also for the normality's outskirts.

With the prospect of a balanced debate,

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