

## *An Invitation*

# to participate in an AAUW conference call with State Senator Teresa Fedor about trafficking in Ohio and how we can help reduce it

Saturday, September 18th, 11 a.m.

RSVP to [jevangelista@roadrunner.com](mailto:jevangelista@roadrunner.com) by this Sunday, 9-12-10

Senator Fedor and two other speakers told AAUW/Ohio members who attended the Aug. 14th Leadership Conference in Delaware that **Ohio is among the worst states** in the nation in the crime of trafficking—both of young women into prostitution and all persons into forced labor—mainly because of our **weak laws**.

Senator Fedor has introduced **S.B. 235** that would strengthen our laws by making trafficking a stand-alone felony in Ohio. It would help eliminate traffickers being let go and victims getting the criminal record. The House counterpart bill, **H.B. 493**, was introduced by Rep. Kathy Chandler. We can help get these and other bills passed and achieve visibility by informing our communities as well as submitting easy action alerts through the Polaris Project website.

In order to spread information and inspiration, Senator Fedor has offered to participate in a conference call with AAUW members who were unable to attend the Leadership Conference. Attached also is some further background information you can check out and share.

During the call, Senator Fedor will go over the Powerpoint presentation that she gave at the Leadership Conference and answer questions.



**SENATOR FEDOR** displays a poster entitled "People for Sale in Ohio" that is being put up in truck stops to help victims find help.

After you RSVP, we will send details about how to call and how to bring up the Powerpoint presentation. Please schedule about 1-1/2 hours for this session.



“Modern day slavery is the second largest criminal industry in the world.”

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