

By Senator Campbell

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1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to the offense of sexual  
3           battery on a minor; providing for the statute  
4           of limitations for the offense of sexual  
5           battery on a minor to be tolled during the  
6           period of a victim's minority; specifying  
7           additional circumstances under which the  
8           statute of limitations for a civil or criminal  
9           action involving such offense is tolled;  
10          providing an effective date.

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12 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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14           Section 1. Statute of limitations tolled in cases of  
15 sexual battery on a minor.--The applicable statute of  
16 limitations for any civil or criminal action involving the  
17 offense of sexual battery on a minor shall be tolled during  
18 the period of the victim's minority and during any period in  
19 which it is therapeutically determined that:

20                   (1) The victim is unable to disclose information  
21 concerning the incident at issue outside of a clinical  
22 setting;

23                   (2) It is inadvisable for the victim to confront the  
24 perpetrator; or

25                   (3) It is medically inadvisable for the victim to  
26 disclose publicly the incident at issue.

27           Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2004.  
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SENATE SUMMARY

Provides for the statute of limitations for any civil or criminal action involving the offense of sexual battery on a minor to be tolled during the period of a victim's minority and under certain additional circumstances.