## Florida Senate - 2006

By Senator Smith

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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to limitations on civil
3	actions; amending s. 772.17, F.S.; providing
4	that a civil action or proceeding may be
5	commenced at any time within 10 years after the
б	conduct in violation of ch. 772, F.S., which
7	caused the action to accrue; creating s.
8	772.175, F.S.; requiring that an action for the
9	recovery of damages for an injury arising out
10	of the commission of a criminal act classified
11	as a felony be commenced no later than 10 years
12	after the offender who inflicted the injury has
13	completed his or her sentence therefor;
14	providing an effective date.
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16	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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18	Section 1. Section 772.17, Florida Statutes, is
19	amended to read:
20	772.17 Limitation of actionsNotwithstanding any
21	other provision of law, a civil action or proceeding under
22	this chapter may be commenced at any time within <u>10</u> $\frac{5}{2}$ years
23	after the conduct in violation of a provision of this act
24	terminates or the cause of action accrues. If a criminal
25	prosecution or civil action or other proceeding is brought or
26	intervened in by the state or by the United States to punish,
27	prevent, or restrain any criminal activity or criminal conduct
28	which forms the basis for a civil action under this chapter,
29	the running of the period of limitations prescribed by this
30	section shall be suspended during the pendency of such
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1	prosecution, action, or proceeding and for 2 years following
2	its termination.
3	Section 2. Section 772.175, Florida Statutes, is
4	created to read:
5	772.175 Limitations of civil actions for damages
6	involving criminal actsActions for the recovery of damages
7	for an injury arising out of the commission of a criminal act
8	classified as a felony committed by the offender against whom
9	the action is brought shall be commenced no later than 10
10	years after the offender who inflicted the injury has
11	completed his or her sentence therefor.
12	Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006.
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15	SENATE SUMMARY
16	Provides that a civil action or proceeding may be commenced at any time within 10 years after the conduct
17	in violation of ch. 772, F.S., causes an action to accrue. Requires that an action for the recovery of
18	damages for an injury arising out of the commission of a criminal act classified as a felony be commenced no later
19	than 10 years after the offender who inflicted the injury has completed his or her sentence.
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