

CS/HB 133

2008

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to sexual battery time limitations;
3 amending s. 775.15, F.S.; revising time limitations for
4 prosecution of certain sexual battery offenses involving
5 minor victims; requiring corroborating evidence in certain
6 circumstances; providing an effective date.

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

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10 Section 1. Paragraph (c) is added to subsection (13) of
11 section 775.15, Florida Statutes, to read:

12 775.15 Time limitations; general time limitations;
13 exceptions.--

14 (13)

15 (c) If the offense is a second degree felony violation of
16 s. 794.011, the offender committed the offense on two or more
17 diverse occasions, and the victim was under 18 years of age at
18 the time the offense was committed, a prosecution of the offense
19 may be commenced at any time. However, if the alleged offense
20 occurred more than 3 years prior to the date that such offense
21 is to be charged, then the offense shall require proof beyond
22 the testimony of a single victim through other corroborating
23 evidence. This paragraph applies to any such offense except an
24 offense the prosecution of which would have been barred by
25 subsection (2) on or before October 1, 2008.

26 Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2008.