

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to time limitations; amending ss.  
 3           95.11 and 775.15, F.S.; eliminating statutes of  
 4           limitations on the commencement of civil or criminal  
 5           actions relating to lewd and lascivious offenses if  
 6           the victim was under 16 at the time of the offense;  
 7           providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

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 11           Section 1. Subsection (9) of section 95.11, Florida  
 12   Statutes, is amended to read:

13           95.11 Limitations other than for the recovery of real  
 14   property.—Actions other than for recovery of real property shall  
 15   be commenced as follows:

16           (9) ~~SEXUAL BATTERY~~ OFFENSES ON VICTIMS UNDER AGE 16.—

17           (a) An action related to an act constituting a violation  
 18   of s. 794.011 involving a victim who was under the age of 16 at  
 19   the time of the act may be commenced at any time. This  
 20   subsection applies to any such action other than one which would  
 21   have been time barred on or before July 1, 2010.

22           (b) An action related to an act constituting a violation  
 23   of s. 800.04 involving a victim who was under the age of 16 at  
 24   the time of the act may be commenced at any time. This  
 25   subsection applies to any such action other than one that would  
 26   have been time barred on or before October 1, 2014.

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27 Section 2. Subsection (18) is added to section 775.15,  
28 Florida Statutes, to read:

29 775.15 Time limitations; general time limitations;  
30 exceptions.—

31 (18) If the offense is a violation of s. 800.04 and the  
32 victim was under 16 years of age at the time the offense was  
33 committed, a prosecution of the offense may be commenced at any  
34 time. This subsection applies to an offense that is not  
35 otherwise barred from prosecution on or after October 1, 2014.

36 Section 3. This act shall take effect October 1, 2014.