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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to the statute of limitations for sexual offenses; amending s. 95.11, F.S.; eliminating the statute of limitations period for civil actions for certain sexual offenses; providing applicability; superseding specified requirements for actions against the state or its subdivisions; providing an effective date.

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

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

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- 95.11 Limitations other than for the recovery of real property.—Actions other than for recovery of real property shall be commenced as follows:
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- (9) SEXUAL BATTERY OFFENSES ON VICTIMS UNDER AGE 16.-

An action related to an act constituting a violation

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of s. 794.011 involving a victim who was  $\underline{\text{younger than}}$   $\underline{\text{under}}$  the age of 16 at the time of the act may be commenced at any time.

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This paragraph subsection applies to any such action other than one which would have been time barred on or before July 1, 2010.

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(b)1. Except as provided in paragraph (a), an action related to an act constituting a violation of s. 794.011, s. 800.02, s. 800.03, s. 800.101, s. 827.071, s. 847.011(1)(c), s.

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time.	This	paragi	raph a	applie	es to	any	such	action	other	than	one
which	would	have	been	time	barre	d on	or	before	July 1	, 2021	<u>l.</u>

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- 2. As to any action against the state or its agencies and subdivisions to which this paragraph applies:
- <u>a.</u> The time limitation in s. 768.28(6)(a) for presenting a claim in writing to the agency and the Department of Financial Services does not apply and is expressly superseded.
- b. The limitations period in s. 768.28(14) does not apply and is expressly superseded.
- Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.