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An act relating to eliminating the statute of limitations for felonies

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Sec. 1. 13 V.S.A. § 4503 is amended to read:

§ 4503. PROCEEDINGS BEGUN AFTER TIME LIMITATION

- (a) If a prosecution for a felony or misdemeanor, other than arson and murder, is commenced after the time limited by section 4501 or 4502 of this title, such proceedings shall be void.
- (b) If a defendant knowingly and voluntarily waives the statute of limitations in writing and with the consent of the prosecution, the court shall have jurisdiction over the offense and the proceedings shall be valid.