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## Act No. 37 (H.330). Court procedure; civil statutes of limitations; actions based on child sexual abuse

An act relating to repealing the statute of limitations for civil actions based on child sexual abuse.

This act eliminates the statute of limitations for civil actions based on childhood sexual abuse. The elimination of the statute of limitations is fully retroactive, which means that an action based on childhood sexual abuse may be brought at any time, even if it would have been barred by the existing statute of limitations. If the defendant is an entity, the plaintiff can recover only if there has been gross negligence on the part of the entity.

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