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SEX ABUSE PROSECUTIONS

House Bill 4430

Sponsor: Rep. Gary L. Randall

Committee: Judiciary

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4430 AS INTRODUCED 3-3-90

The bill would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure to eliminate the statute of limitations for commencing a prosecution for certain sex offenses if the alleged victim was a minor at the time the offense was committed. The current statute of limitations in such instances is six years after the offense was committed or six years after the alleged victim's twenty-first birthday, whichever is later.

The bill would apply to producing or distributing child pornography, to assault with intent to commit criminal sexual conduct, and to first-, second-, third-, or fourth-degree criminal sexual conduct. The bill would state a legislative intent that the proposed extension of the statute of limitations is to apply retroactively to offenses for which prosecution was not already barred at the time the bill took effect.

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