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## A BILL FOR

1 An Act concerning the limitation of actions for prosecution of  
2 violations under certain statutes administered by the natural  
3 resource commission.  
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:  
5 TLSB 1050XS 82  
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1 1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 481A.32A LIMITATION OF CRIMINAL  
1 2 ACTIONS.  
1 3 1. Notwithstanding section 802.4 or any other provision of  
1 4 law to the contrary, prosecution for a violation of this  
1 5 chapter or chapter 481B, 482, 483A, 484A, 484B, or 484C, which  
1 6 is a simple misdemeanor, shall be commenced within three years  
1 7 after its commission.  
1 8 2. When a person leaves the state after committing a  
1 9 violation as set forth in subsection 1, prosecution for the  
1 10 violation may be commenced within three years after the person  
1 11 returns to the state, and no period during which the party  
1 12 charged was not publicly resident within the state shall  
1 13 constitute part of the three-year limitation period.

### EXPLANATION

1 14 This bill provides that prosecution for simple misdemeanor  
1 15 violations of Code chapters 481A (wildlife conservation), 482  
1 16 (commercial fishing), 483A (fishing and hunting licenses,  
1 17 contraband, and guns), 484A (migratory game birds), 484B  
1 18 (hunting preserves), or 484C (preserve whitetail), which are  
1 19 administered by the natural resource commission, shall be  
1 20 commenced within three years after commission of the  
1 21 violation.

1 22 violation.  
1 23 The bill provides that if a person leaves the state after  
1 24 committing such a violation, prosecution for the violation may  
1 25 be commenced within three years after the person returns to  
1 26 the state, and the period during which the person charged was  
1 27 not publicly resident within the state does not count as part  
1 28 of the three-year limitation period.

1 29 Currently, a prosecution for such a violation that is a  
1 30 misdemeanor must be commenced within one year after commission  
1 31 of the violation.

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