

Senate File 2431

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1 Amend Senate File 2431, as amended, passed, and reprinted by
2 the Senate, as follows:

3 1. Page 1, before line 1 by inserting:

4 <Section 1. STATUTE OF LIMITATION MODIFICATION —
5 LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS. It is the finding of the general
6 assembly that the following facts and circumstances are
7 conditions precedent to this modification of an existing Iowa
8 statute of limitation:

9 1. That legislatively created, after-the-fact exceptions to
10 the operation of civil statutes of limitation are, in general,
11 poor public policy.

12 2. Such exceptions tend to erode the rule of law, respect
13 for the doctrine of equal protection, and due regard for the
14 sanctity of contracts.

15 3. Notwithstanding such principles, various parties have
16 represented to the general assembly that a defined and discreet
17 group of Iowa sexual abuse victims face a grotesque miscarriage
18 of justice if the operation of sections 614.1 and 614.8 is not
19 suspended for their benefit.

20 4. These parties have also represented to the general
21 assembly that the circumstances surrounding the lawsuits
22 are unlikely to reoccur, and that the proposed retroactive
23 enlargement of the statute of limitation will not injure any
24 third party who has not already consented to settlement of
25 their interests.

26 5. But for the unusual and exceptionally rare circumstances
27 represented to be present, an after-the-fact enlargement of a
28 statute of limitation would not be considered.

29 6. The action taken by the general assembly in this matter
30 is not to be considered or offered in the future as creating
31 a precedent for future legislative action by the general
32 assembly.>

33 2. By renumbering as necessary.

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