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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the statute of limitations for damages for
 2 child sexual abuse.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 614.8, subsection 2, Code Supplement
2 1997, is amended to read as follows:

3 2. Except as provided in section 614.1, subsection 9, and
4 section 614.8A, the times limited for actions in this chapter,
5 except those brought for penalties and forfeitures, are
6 extended in favor of minors, so that they shall have one year
7 from and after attainment of majority within which to commence
8 an action.

9 Sec. 2. Section 614.8A, Code 1997, is amended to read as
10 follows:

11 614.8A DAMAGES FOR CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE -- TIME LIMITATION.

12 An The times limited for actions in this chapter are
13 extended to permit an action for damages for injury suffered
14 as a result of sexual abuse which occurred when the injured
15 person was a child;--but-not-discovered-until-after-the-injured
16 person-is-of-the-age-of-majority;--shall to be brought within
17 four-years-from at any time after the time of discovery by the
18 injured party of both the injury and the causal relationship
19 between the injury and the sexual abuse.

20 EXPLANATION

21 This bill eliminates current limitations on bringing an
22 action for child sexual abuse for injuries suffered as a
23 result of sexual abuse which occurred when the injured person
24 was a child. Currently, actions discovered after the person
25 attains the age of majority must be brought by the injured
26 party within four years from the time of discovery of both the
27 injury and the causal relationship between the injury and the
28 sexual abuse.

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