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A Bill

SENATE BILL 204

5 By: Senator D. Wallace
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE JUSTICE FOR VULNERABLE VICTIMS OF
10 SEXUAL ABUSE ACT; TO REMOVE THE AGE LIMITATION FOR A
11 VULNERABLE VICTIM TO BRING A CIVIL ACTION; TO AMEND
12 THE COMMENCEMENT DATE FOR A CIVIL ACTION; AND FOR
13 OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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27 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 16-118-118(b), concerning the statute of
28 limitation for a civil action brought by a vulnerable victim under the
29 Justice for Vulnerable Victims of Sexual Abuse Act, is amended to read as
30 follows:

31 (b)(1) Notwithstanding any other statute of limitation or any other
32 law that may be construed to reduce the statutory period set forth in this
33 section, ~~before he or she reaches fifty five (55) years of age~~ a vulnerable
34 victim may bring a civil action against any party who committed sexual abuse
35 against the vulnerable victim or whose tortious conduct caused the vulnerable
36 victim to be a victim of sexual abuse.



