
ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 145—ASSEMBLYMEN KRASNER, BUSTAMANTE
ADAMS; BILBRAY-AXELROD, CARRILLO, JOINER, KRAMER,
TITUS, TOLLES, WATKINS, WHEELER AND WOODBURY

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JOINT SPONSORS: SENATORS DENIS; CANNIZZARO, GANSERT,
GUSTAVSON, HARRIS AND KIECKHEFER

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Extends the statute of limitations for certain civil
actions for damages for injuries incurred as a child as
a result of sexual abuse or pornography.
(BDR 2-584)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to civil actions; extending the statute of
limitations for certain civil actions for damages to a
person for injuries incurred as a child as a result of sexual
abuse or pornography; and providing other matters
properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

1 This bill extends the time by which a civil action to recover damages arising
2 from the sexual abuse of a person who is less than 18 years of age must be
3 commenced from 10 years to 20 years after the person reaches 18 years of age or
4 discovers or should have discovered that an injury was caused by the sexual abuse,
5 whichever is later. This bill also extends the time by which a civil action to recover
6 damages arising from the appearance of a person who is less than 16 years of age in
7 pornographic material must be commenced from 3 years to 20 years after the
8 person reaches 18 years of age or after a court enters a verdict in a related criminal
9 case, whichever is later.



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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- 1 **Section 1.** NRS 11.215 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 11.215 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 and
3 NRS 217.007, an action to recover damages for an injury to a person
4 arising from the sexual abuse of the plaintiff which occurred when
5 the plaintiff was less than 18 years of age must be commenced
6 within ~~10~~ **20** years after the plaintiff:
7 (a) Reaches 18 years of age; or
8 (b) Discovers or reasonably should have discovered that his or
9 her injury was caused by the sexual abuse,
10 ↳ whichever occurs later.
11 2. An action to recover damages pursuant to NRS 41.1396
12 must be commenced within ~~10~~ **20** years after the occurrence of the
13 following, whichever is later:
14 (a) The court enters a verdict in a related criminal case; or
15 (b) The victim reaches the age of 18 years.
16 3. As used in this section, "sexual abuse" has the meaning
17 ascribed to it in NRS 432B.100.
18 **Sec. 2.** The period of limitations on actions set forth in NRS
19 11.215, as amended by section 1 of this act:
20 1. Applies to a cause of action that accrued before the effective
21 date of this act, if the applicable period of limitations has
22 commenced but not yet expired on the effective date of this act.
23 2. Must not be construed to revive any claim barred by a period
24 of limitations.
25 **Sec. 3.** This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

