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H.B. No. 3809

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the limitations period for personal injury claims that arise from certain offenses involving child sexual abuse.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 16.0045(a), Civil Practice and Remedies Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) A person must bring suit for personal injury not later than 30 [~~15~~] years after the day the cause of action accrues if the injury arises as a result of conduct that violates:

(1) Section 22.011(a)(2), Penal Code (sexual assault of a child);

(2) Section 22.021(a)(1)(B), Penal Code (aggravated sexual assault of a child);

(3) Section 21.02, Penal Code (continuous sexual abuse of young child or children);

(4) Section 20A.02(a)(7)(A), (B), (C), (D), or (H) or Section 20A.02(a)(8), Penal Code, involving an activity described by Section 20A.02(a)(7)(A), (B), (C), (D), or (H) or sexual conduct with a child trafficked in the manner described by Section 20A.02(a)(7), Penal Code (certain sexual trafficking of a child);

(5) Section 43.05(a)(2), Penal Code (compelling prostitution by a child); or

(6) Section 21.11, Penal Code (indecenty with a child).

1           SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies to a  
2 cause of action that accrues on or after the effective date of this  
3 Act or a cause of action that accrued before the effective date of  
4 this Act, if the limitations period applicable to the cause of  
5 action immediately before the effective date of this Act has not  
6 expired before the effective date of this Act.

7           SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.