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TO: Honorable Joe Nixon, Chair, House Committee on Civil Practices

FROM: John S. O'Brien, Deputy Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB674 by Thompson (Relating to the statute of limitations for suits alleging sexual abuse.), As Introduced

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Civil Practice and Remedies Code to allow a person to bring forth a suit for damages arising from personal injury as a result of sexual abuse. A suit may be filed, if the victim was unable to reasonably discover an injury on the day of the cause of action, not later than five years after the date the person discovered the injury or the date the person should have reasonably discovered the injury. The bill would apply to a cause of action arising from an injury that could not reasonably have been discovered before September 1, 2005.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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