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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 204

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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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17 VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ABUSE ACT; TO REMOVE  
18 THE AGE LIMITATION FOR A VULNERABLE  
19 VICTIM TO BRING A CIVIL ACTION; AND TO  
20 AMEND THE COMMENCEMENT DATE FOR A CIVIL  
21 ACTION.  
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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.



