

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently, Texas law has a statute of limitations on certain sex related crimes. As proposed, S.B. 436 requires no statute of limitations on certain felony sex offenses and extends the time for a minor, once considered an adult, to file a report regarding a violation.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Article 12.01, Code of Criminal Procedure, by authorizing felony indictments to be presented within these limits, except as provided in Article 12.03:

- no limitation for sexual assault, aggravated sexual assault, or indecency with a child under Section 21.11(a) (1) (Indecency With a Child), Penal Code; or
- ten years from the 18th birthday of the victim of the offense of indecency with a child under Section 21.11(a) (2), Penal Code.
- Deletes text regarding the statute of limitations on indecency with child, sexual assault, and aggravated sexual assault in certain sections.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2001.
Makes application of this Act prospective.