## **Bill Summary** 1<sup>st</sup> Session of the 58<sup>th</sup> Legislature

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## **Bill Analysis**

HB 1002 eliminates the time limitations for civil actions based on childhood sexual abuse or exploitation. The measure provides that if the sexual abuse or exploitation continues into adulthood, the victim may commence a civil action against the repeat perpetrator at any time and is not time-barred. The measure provides that an action for the recovery of damages suffered because of child sexual abuse or exploitation may be brought against an entity, organization, or business within 30 years of the last act committed against the victim or within 5 years of when the victim knew or should have known of the last act of the perpetrator. The perpetrator must have been convicted of a crime of sexual abuse, exploitation or incest involving the claimant. The measure allows a 5-year window for the filing of retroactive claims for childhood sexual abuse for those persons who were previously barred from filing due to the time limitation.

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