

**FIRST ENGROSSMENT  
with Senate Amendments  
ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1456**

Introduced by

Representatives Hogan, DeKrey, Delmore, Holman

Senator J. Lee

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 28-01 of the North Dakota  
2 Century Code, relating to the statute of limitations on civil actions involving childhood sexual  
3 abuse.

4 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 28-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is created  
6 and enacted as follows:

7 **Limitation on actions alleging childhood sexual abuse.**

8 Notwithstanding section 28-01-25, a claim for relief resulting from childhood sexual abuse  
9 must be commenced within seven years after the plaintiff knew or reasonably should have  
10 known that a potential claim exists resulting from alleged childhood sexual abuse. For purposes  
11 of this section, "childhood sexual abuse" means any act committed by the defendant against the  
12 plaintiff which occurred when the plaintiff was under eighteen years of age and which would  
13 have been a violation of chapter 12.1-20 or 12.1-27.2.