

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 853 Session of 2011

INTRODUCED BY MCGEEHAN, BISHOP, SANTARSIERO, K. BOYLE, BRIGGS, CARROLL, CLYMER, DAVIS, GILLESPIE, JOSEPHS, KORTZ, MANN, MILNE, M. O'BRIEN, PAYTON, REICHLEY, ROEBUCK, STEVENSON AND WATSON, FEBRUARY 28, 2011

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, FEBRUARY 28, 2011

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the  
2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for  
3 tolling of limitations in civil actions because of infancy,  
4 insanity or imprisonment.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Section 5533(b) of Title 42 of the Pennsylvania  
8 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a paragraph to read:  
9 § 5533. Infancy, insanity or imprisonment.

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11 (b) Infancy.--

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13 (3) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a civil  
14 action arising from childhood sexual abuse which is subject  
15 to paragraph (2) but would be barred as of July 1, 2011,  
16 solely because the statute of limitations has expired, is  
17 revived and such a civil action may be commenced within two  
18 years of July 1, 2011. Nothing in this paragraph shall be

1 construed to alter the applicable statute of limitations  
2 period of a civil action arising from childhood sexual abuse  
3 which is not time barred as of July 1, 2011.

4 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.