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TO: All Senators
FROM: Senator John C. Rafferty, Jr.
RE: Co-sponsorship

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In the very near future, I will be introducing legislation that would increase the statute of limitations for civil actions on certain sexual offenses committed against a minor.

My legislation will increase the statute of limitations for child sexual abuse to allow a victim of abuse, who was under 18 years of age at the time of the offense, to seek civil recourse 22 years after attaining 18 years of age. Current law limits the statute of limitation for civil proceedings to 12 years after attaining 18 years of age.

This legislation will allow the victim to file for damages regardless of whether the individual files a criminal complaint regarding the childhood sexual abuse.

If you are interested in co-sponsoring this legislation, please contact Sean Moll by e-mail at smoll@pasen.gov.

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