



Senate of Pennsylvania

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TO: All Senators

DATE: February 24, 2012

FROM: Senator Lisa M. Boseola

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SUBJECT: Co-sponsorship of Legislation

In the near future, I plan to reintroduce two pieces of legislation removing the statute of limitations for sexual abuse of children.

In cases of sexual abuse of children, the victims sometimes do not come forward and report the crime for many years or even into their adulthood. Because of our current statute of limitations, authorities often are not able to file any charges. In effect, Pennsylvania's statute of limitations serves to deny justice to the child victims and their families by not having accused sex offenders go through the judicial process and face their alleged charges.

One bill will remove the statute of limitations for criminal prosecution. The other bill will remove the statute of limitation for civil actions.

If you are interested in joining me as a co-sponsor of this important legislation, please contact Julia Brinjac in my office at 787-4236 or by e-mail at jbrinjac@pasenate.com.