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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE BILL

No. 407 Session of  
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INTRODUCED BY MUTH, COLLETT, KEARNEY, L. WILLIAMS, SANTARSIERO,  
KANE, FONTANA, STREET, COMMITTA, HUGHES, SCHWANK, CAPPELLETTI  
AND COSTA, MARCH 15, 2021

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REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, MARCH 15, 2021

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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the  
2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in limitation of time,  
3 further providing for infancy, insanity or imprisonment.

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

6 Section 1. Section 5533(b) of Title 42 of the Pennsylvania  
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a paragraph to read:

8 § 5533. Infancy, insanity or imprisonment.

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10 (b) Infancy.--

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12 (3) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (2) or  
13 any other provision of law to the contrary, in the case of an  
14 individual entitled to bring a civil action arising from  
15 sexual abuse where the limitation period has expired, the  
16 individual shall have an additional period of two years from  
17 the effective date of this paragraph to commence an action.

18 Section 2. The addition of 42 Pa.C.S. § 5533(b) (3) shall

1 apply retroactively to civil actions, including to revive an  
2 action that was barred by a limitation period prior to the  
3 effective date of this section.

4 Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.