
DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides that there is no time limitation upon the institution of prosecution for the crime of molestation of a juvenile or a person with a physical or mental disability.

Present law (C.Cr.P. Art 571) provides that there is no time limitation upon the institution of prosecution for any crime for which the punishment may be death or life imprisonment or for the crime of forcible or second degree rape (R.S. 14:42.1).

Proposed law retains present law and adds that there is no time limitation upon the institution of prosecution for molestation of a juvenile or a person with a physical or mental disability (R.S. 14:81.2).

Present law (C.Cr.P. Art. 571.1) provides for a list of certain sex offenses that the time within which to institute prosecution begins to run for a period of 30 years from when the victim attains the age of 18, regardless of whether the crime involves force, serious physical injury, or death.

Proposed law removes molestation of a juvenile or a person with a physical or mental disability (R.S. 14:81.2) from this list.

(Amends C.Cr.P. Arts. 571 and 571.1)