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## DIGEST

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HB No. 618

**Abstract:** Provide a peremptive period for an action for exemplary damages related to storage, handling, or transportation of hazardous or toxic substances.

Proposed law establishes a peremptive period within which any claim for exemplary damages authorized by repealed law shall be filed.

Repealed law (C.C. Art. 2315.3) authorized an action for exemplary damages that resulted from any act of a defendant's wanton or reckless disregard for public safety in the storage, handling, or transportation of hazardous or toxic substances. Repealed law was enacted by Act No. 335 of the 1984 R.S., amended by Act No. 302 of the 1990 R.S., and repealed by Act No. 2 of the 1996 1<sup>st</sup> Ex. Sess.

(Amends the heading of Part III of Ch. 1 of Code Title XXIV of Title 9 of the La. Revised Statutes of 1950; Adds R.S. 9:5812)