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HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

SENATE BILL NO. 655

99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal section 556.037, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to statutes of limitation for certain offenses against a child.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 556.037, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 556.037, to read as follows:

556.037. **1.** Notwithstanding the provisions of section 556.036, prosecutions for unlawful sexual offenses involving a person eighteen years of age or under [must be commenced within thirty years after the victim reaches the age of eighteen unless the prosecutions are for rape in the first degree, forcible rape, attempted rape in the first degree, attempted forcible rape, sodomy in the first degree, forcible sodomy, kidnapping, kidnapping in the first degree, attempted sodomy in the first degree, or attempted forcible sodomy in which case such prosecutions] may be commenced at any time.

2. For purposes of this section, "sexual offenses" include, but are not limited to, all offenses for which registration is required under sections 589.400 to 589.425.

