

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 145—ASSEMBLYWOMEN KRASNER AND  
BUSTAMANTE ADAMS

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Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Extends the statute of limitations for certain civil actions for damages for injuries incurred as a child as a result of sexual abuse or pornography. (BDR 2-584)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.  
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to civil actions; extending the statute of limitations for certain civil actions for damages to a person for injuries incurred as a child as a result of sexual abuse or pornography; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel’s Digest:**

1 This bill extends the time by which a civil action to recover damages arising  
2 from the sexual abuse of a person who is less than 18 years of age must be  
3 commenced from 10 years to 20 years after the person reaches 18 years of age or  
4 discovers or should have discovered that an injury was caused by the sexual abuse,  
5 whichever is later. This bill also extends the time by which a civil action to recover  
6 damages arising from the appearance of a person who is less than 16 years of age in  
7 pornographic material must be commenced from 3 years to 20 years after the  
8 person reaches 18 years of age or after a court enters a verdict in a related criminal  
9 case, whichever is later.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN  
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** NRS 11.215 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
2 11.215 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 and  
3 NRS 217.007, an action to recover damages for an injury to a person  
4 arising from the sexual abuse of the plaintiff which occurred when



- 1 the plaintiff was less than 18 years of age must be commenced  
2 within ~~10~~ 20 years after the plaintiff:
- 3 (a) Reaches 18 years of age; or
  - 4 (b) Discovers or reasonably should have discovered that his or  
5 her injury was caused by the sexual abuse,  
6 ↪ whichever occurs later.
- 7 2. An action to recover damages pursuant to NRS 41.1396  
8 must be commenced within ~~10~~ 20 years after the occurrence of the  
9 following, whichever is later:
- 10 (a) The court enters a verdict in a related criminal case; or
  - 11 (b) The victim reaches the age of 18 years.
- 12 3. As used in this section, "sexual abuse" has the meaning  
13 ascribed to it in NRS 432B.100.

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