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In Senate, March 4, 1993

An Act to Clarify the Grounds for Civil Action for Child Sexual Abuse.

Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed.

JOY J. O'BRIEN Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator TITCOMB of Cumberland. Cosponsored by Senator: CONLEY of Cumberland, Representative: GEAN of Alfred.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 14 MRSA §752-C, as amended by PL 1991, c. 551, §1 and 4 affected by §2, is further amended to read:

6 §752-C. Sexual acts towards minors

defined under the criminal incest laws.

Actions based upon sexual intercourse, as defined in Title 17-A, section 556, subsection 1-B, or a sexual act, as defined in Title 17-A, chapter 11, with a person under the age of majority must be commenced within 12 years after the cause of action accrues, or within 6 years of the time the person discovers or reasonably should have discovered the harm, whichever occurs later.

STATEMENT OF FACT

For purposes of civil actions alleging sexual acts toward minors, this bill defines "sexual intercourse" as that term is

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