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REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, JANUARY 26, 2017

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the
2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in limitation of time,
3 further providing for statutes of limitations for certain
4 offenses.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Sections 5551 and 5552(b.1) of Title 42 of the
8 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended to read:

9 § 5551. No limitation applicable.

10 A prosecution for the following offenses may be commenced at
11 any time:

12 (1) Murder.

13 (2) Voluntary manslaughter.

14 (3) Conspiracy to commit murder or solicitation to
15 commit murder if a murder results from the conspiracy or
16 solicitation.

17 (4) Any felony alleged to have been perpetrated in
18 connection with a murder of the first or second degree, as
19 set forth in 18 Pa.C.S. § 2502(a) or (b) and (d) (relating to

1 murder).

2 (5) A violation of 75 Pa.C.S. § 3742 (relating to
3 accidents involving death or personal injury) or 3732
4 (relating to homicide by vehicle) if the accused was the
5 driver of a vehicle involved in an accident resulting in the
6 death of any person.

7 (6) A violation of 18 Pa.C.S. § 2702(a)(1), (2), (4) or
8 (7) (relating to aggravated assault) if the accused knew the
9 victim was a law enforcement officer and the law enforcement
10 officer was acting within the scope of the officer's duties.

11 (7) A violation, that involves sexual abuse of a minor,
12 of the following provisions of 18 Pa.C.S. (relating to crimes
13 and offenses):

14 Section 3121 (relating to rape).

15 Section 3122.1 (relating to statutory sexual
16 assault).

17 Section 3123 (relating to involuntary deviate sexual
18 intercourse).

19 Section 3124.1 (relating to sexual assault).

20 Section 3124.2 (relating to institutional sexual
21 assault).

22 Section 3125 (relating to aggravated indecent
23 assault).

24 Section 3126 (relating to indecent assault).

25 Section 3127 (relating to indecent exposure).

26 Section 4302 (relating to incest).

27 Section 6312(b) (relating to sexual abuse of
28 children).

29 § 5552. Other offenses.

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1 (b.1) Major sexual offenses.--[A] Except for crimes
2 involving sexual abuse of a minor, a prosecution for any of the
3 following offenses under Title 18 must be commenced within 12
4 years after it is committed:

5 Section 3121 (relating to rape).

6 Section 3122.1 (relating to statutory sexual assault).

7 Section 3123 (relating to involuntary deviate sexual
8 intercourse).

9 Section 3124.1 (relating to sexual assault).

10 Section 3125 (relating to aggravated indecent assault).

11 Section 4302 (relating to incest).

12 Section 6312 (relating to sexual abuse of children).

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14 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.