



2023 ASSEMBLY BILL 301

May 25, 2023 - Introduced by Representatives GUNDRUM, BILLINGS, ANDRACA, BINSFELD, CONLEY, DITTRICH, EDMING, JOERS, MAXEY, OHNSTAD, PALMERI, RETTINGER, ROZAR, SINICKI, STUBBS and SUBECK, cosponsored by Senators JAMES, AGARD, TAYLOR, FEYEN, HUTTON, ROYS, SMITH and SPREITZER. Referred to Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety.

1 **AN ACT to renumber and amend** 893.587; **to amend** 893.587 (title); and **to**
2 **create** 893.587 (1) of the statutes; **relating to:** the statute of limitations for
3 sexual contact with a child.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, a person may bring a civil action for injury resulting from being sexually assaulted or subject to incest as a child, or from being subject to sexual contact by a member of the clergy as a child, at any time before the injured party reaches the age of 35.

This bill increases the time limit for bringing those actions to any time before the injured party reaches the age of 45. In addition, the bill applies this time period to a broader range of actions. Under the bill, the new time limit applies to any action for injury resulting from being subject, as a child, to any sexual contact by an adult or by an adult member of the clergy.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

4 **SECTION 1.** 893.587 (title) of the statutes is amended to read:
5 **893.587** (title) **Sexual assault of contact with a child; limitation.**

