

Senate Bill 106

By: Senators Price of the 56th and Haines of the 46th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 17-3-2.1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the
2 statute of limitations on prosecution of certain offenses involving a victim under 16 years of
3 age, so as to extend the time from which the applicable period within which a prosecution
4 must be commenced begins to run; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Code Section 17-3-2.1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the statute of
8 limitations on prosecution of certain offenses involving a victim under 16 years of age, is
9 amended by striking subsection (a) of said Code section and inserting in its place the
10 following:

11 "(a) If the victim of a violation of:

12 (1) Code Section 16-5-70, relating to cruelty to children;

13 (2) Code Section 16-6-1, relating to rape;

14 (3) Code Section 16-6-2, relating to sodomy and aggravated sodomy;

15 (4) Code Section 16-6-3, relating to statutory rape;

16 (5) Code Section 16-6-4, relating to child molestation and aggravated child molestation;

17 (6) Code Section 16-6-5, relating to enticing a child for indecent purposes; or

18 (7) Code Section 16-6-22, relating to incest,

19 is under 16 years of age on the date of the violation, the applicable period within which a
20 prosecution must be commenced under Code Section 17-3-1 or other applicable statute
21 shall not begin to run until the victim has reached the age of ~~16~~ 30 or the violation is
22 reported to a law enforcement agency, prosecuting attorney, or other governmental agency,
23 whichever occurs earlier. Such law enforcement agency or other governmental agency shall
24 promptly report such allegation to the appropriate prosecuting attorney."

25 **SECTION 2.**

- 1 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.