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Child Victims Act

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Lwa sou Abi Seksyèl kont Timoun

"I am a survivor of child sex abuse at the age of 10."

- Assemblymember Rodneyse Bichotte

Mwen se yon moun kit e sibi abi seksyèl nan laj 10 zan.

Manm Asanble Rodneyse Bichotte



No More Child Sex Abuse
Mete fren nan abi seksyèl sou timoun

Courtesy of/Koutwazi
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Rodneyse Bichotte

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My colleagues and I in the Assembly and Senate passed the historic Child Victims Act which was signed into law on February 14, 2019. This new law finally gives **victims of child sex abuse** an expanded ability to seek justice against their abusers or negligent institutions. This opportunity provides adult survivors of child sexual abuse the ability to file a civil or criminal lawsuit against their abuser or negligent institutions such as places of worship, schools, organizations... etc., even if the previous statute of limitations may have expired.

3 key components of the Child Victims Act:

1. Victims who were under the age of 23 when the bill was signed into law now have until the **age of 25 to file misdemeanor charges** and the **age of 28 to file felony charges**;
2. Victims who were under the age of 23 when the bill was signed into law now have until **the age of 55 to file a civil lawsuit** against the person who abused them and/or the institution that allowed this abuse to take place;
3. Victims who were over the age of 23 when the bill was signed into law now have a **one year "window" (from August 14, 2019 to August 13, 2020) to file a civil lawsuit** against person who abused them and/or the institution that allowed this abuse to take place, no matter how long ago the abuse happened. Once this one year window expires, this opportunity will no longer be available.

Child Victims Act One Year Look Back Window August 14, 2019 to August 13, 2020.

Lwa sou Abi Seksyèl kont Timoun

14 fevriye 2019 mwen menm ak kolèg mwen yo ki nan chanm depite ak nan sena Eta Nouyòk te pase yon lwa istorik sou Timoun Ki Viktim abi seksyèl. Nouvo lwa sa a bay **timoun ki viktim abi seksyèl** plis posiblite pou yo jwenn jistis kont moun ki abize yo oswa enstitisyon ki fè neglijan nan ka sa yo. Se yon okazyon pou granmoun ki te sibi abi seksyèl lè yo te timoun pou yo gen mwayen legal pou yo fè moun ki abize yo oswa yon enstitisyon tankou lekòl, òganizasyon ak kote moun priye, ki fè neglijan nan ka sa yo pwose sivil oswa pwose kriminel menm lè tan limit la fin pase.

Twa eleman kle nan Lwa sou Abi Seksyèl kont Timoun:

1. Viktim ki pa te ko gen 23 zan lè pwojè lwa a te tounen on lwa, kounye a **toutotan yo poko gen 25, yo kapab rele moun ki te fè yo abi seksyèl la lajistis** pou enfrazyon oubyen deli. Epitou, toutotan yo poko gen **28 an, yo kapab rele moun nan nan tribinal pou krim.**
2. Viktim ki te gen mwens pase 23 zan anvan pwojè lwa a te tounen on lwa, kounye a **toutotan yo poko gen 55 an, yo kapab rele moun ki te abize yo a ak/oubyen enstitisyon ki fè neglijan lan nan tribinal** pou yon pwose sivil.
3. Viktim ki te gen plis pase 23 zan anvan pwojè lwa a te tounen on lwa, kounye a yo gen yon peryòd **yon lane soti 14 Out 2019 rive 13 Out 2020, pou yo rele moun ki te abize yo ak/oubyen enstitisyon ki fè neglijan lan nan tribinal** pou yon pwose sivil kèlkeswa depi konbyen tan abi sa a te fèt. Depi peryòd yon lane sa a espire, opòtinite sa a pa p disponib ankò.

Peryòd pou timoun ki te viktim abi seksyèl nan kategori 3 a, se: 14 Out 2019 rive 13 Out 2020



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