#### SECOND REGULAR SESSION

# HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 129

## **102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

#### INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE SEITZ.

DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

### JOINT RESOLUTION

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri an amendment repealing Section 13 of Article I of the Constitution of Missouri, and adopting one new section in lieu thereof relating to civil actions for certain sexual offenses.

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring therein:

That at the next general election to be held in the state of Missouri, on Tuesday next 2 following the first Monday in November, 2024, or at a special election to be called by the governor for that purpose, there is hereby submitted to the qualified voters of this state, for 3 4 adoption or rejection, the following amendment to Article I of the Constitution of the state of 5 Missouri: Section A. Section 13, Article I, Constitution of Missouri, is repealed and one new 2 section adopted in lieu thereof, to be known as Section 13, to read as follows: Section 13. That no ex post facto law, nor law impairing the obligation of contracts, 2 or retrospective in its operation, or making any irrevocable grant of special privileges or 3 immunities, can be enacted. Civil actions relating to any injury or illness caused by rape 4 or forcible sodomy of any person, or injury or illness caused by childhood sexual abuse 5 of any person under eighteen years of age or tortious conduct that caused the victim to 6 be a victim of rape, forcible sodomy, or childhood sexual abuse shall have no statute of 7 limitation and may be commenced at any time by the victim of such rape, forcible 8 sodomy, or childhood sexual abuse, or by the victim's guardian, against the party 9 alleged to have committed the rape, forcible sodomy, or childhood sexual abuse, or

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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10 against the party whose tortious conduct is alleged to have caused the victim to be a

- 11 victim of rape, forcible sodomy, or childhood sexual abuse, including any action that
- 12 would be barred by an existing statute of limitation as of the effective date of this
- 13 provision.