

SENATE BILL 651

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2000 Regular Session  
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**ENROLLED BILL**  
-- Judicial Proceedings/Judiciary --

Introduced by **Senator Collins**

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this  
\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock, \_\_\_\_ M.

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President.

CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Criminal Procedure - Statute of Limitations - Abuse or Neglect of**  
3 **Vulnerable Adult**

4 FOR the purpose of altering the statute of limitations for prosecution of certain  
5 offenses relating to abuse or neglect of vulnerable adults; and generally relating  
6 to the statute of limitations for prosecution of misdemeanors.

7 BY adding to  
8 Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings  
9 Section 5-106(y)  
10 Annotated Code of Maryland  
11 (1998 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
13 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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**Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings**

2 5-106.

3 (Y) A PROSECUTION FOR AN OFFENSE UNDER ARTICLE 27, § 35D OF THE CODE  
4 RELATING TO ABUSE OR NEGLECT OF A VULNERABLE ADULT SHALL BE INSTITUTED  
5 WITHIN ~~3~~ 2 YEARS AFTER THE OFFENSE WAS COMMITTED.

6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
7 October 1, 2000.