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HOUSE REPUBLICAN STAFF ANALYSIS

Bill: Senate File 362

Committee: **Judiciary** Floor Manager: Rep. Jones Date: May 8, 2023

Staff:

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House Committee:

PASSED on March 23 (19-0) **PASSED** on April 19 (95-0) House Floor: Senate Floor:

Governor:

PASSED on March 14 (47-0)

Statute of Limitations- Fourth Degree Sexual Assault

• In 2022, SF 529 created the crime of fourth degree sexual assault if a health care professional used unapproved genetic material during assisted reproduction or if they lied about the genetic material.

SF 362 ensures that there is no statute of limitations for prosecuting fourth degree sexual assault.

Section by Section Analysis

Section 1 –Limitation of Criminal Actions- Felony -Aggravated or Serious Misdemeanor (802.3) Lifts the statute of limitations for fourth degree sexual assault.

Section 2 –Limitation of Criminal Actions- DNA Prolife of Accused (802.10)

A person can be charged with fourth degree sexual assault anytime after the offense is committed if the person is identified by DNA.

Amendment Analysis