

SHB 1543 - S AMD TO LAW COMM AMD (S-2471.1/17) 212  
By Senator Pedersen

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1       On page 1, line 31, after "filed" strike all material through  
2 "child." on line 32 and insert "in a petition or in a response to a  
3 petition in proceedings filed no later than four years after the  
4 birth of the child, except that (i) the pleading making the  
5 allegation that the child was born as a result of a sexual assault  
6 may be filed at any time in proceedings pursuant to RCW 26.26.525; or  
7 (ii) for a period of two years after the effective date of this  
8 section, a court may waive the time bar in cases in which a presumed,  
9 acknowledged, or adjudicated parent was found in a criminal or  
10 separate civil proceeding to have committed a sexual assault against  
11 the parent alleging that the child was born as a result of the sexual  
12 assault."

EFFECT: Clarifies that the four year filing limit does not apply when, under RCW 26.26.525, the child has no presumed or adjudicated second parent and no acknowledged father.

For two years after this act's effective date, a court may waive the four year filing limit if a criminal case or a separate civil case found that the presumed, adjudicated, or acknowledged parent committed a sexual assault against the child's other parent resulting in the child's birth.

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