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CRIMINAL/VICTIM COMP: Extends the time period in which an application for crime victims reparations is to be filed by certain applicants

1 AN ACT 2 To amend and reenact R.S. 46:1806(A), relative to crime victims reparations; to provide 3 relative to applications for reparations; to extend the time in which an application for 4 reparations is to be filed by certain applicants; and to provide for related matters. 5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 6 Section 1. R.S. 46:1806(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows: 7 §1806. Application; requirements; confidentiality 8 A.(1) An application for reparations shall be filed in writing with the board 9 within one year after the date of the personal injury, death, or catastrophic property 10 loss or within such longer period as the board determines is justified by the 11 circumstances. The application shall be valid only if the act resulting in the personal 12 injury, death, or catastrophic property loss was reported to the appropriate law 13 enforcement officers within seventy-two hours after the date of the personal injury, 14 death, or catastrophic property loss, or within such longer period as the board 15 determines is justified by the circumstances. 16 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of Paragraph (1) of this Subsection, an 17 application filed by a dependent or legal representative of a deceased victim of a homicide offense, or filed by a claimant as defined in R.S. 46:1802(4), shall be filed 18

within five years after the date on which the judgment of conviction becomes final

or within five years after the date on which the supreme court denies the defendant's

2 <u>first application for appeal.</u>

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Abstract: Extends the time period in which an application for crime victims reparations is to be filed for certain applicants.

<u>Present law</u> provides that an application for reparations shall be filed in writing with the board within one year after the date of the personal injury, death, or catastrophic property loss or within such longer period as the board determines is justified by the circumstances.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u>, but provides that an application filed by a dependent or legal representative of a deceased victim of a homicide offense, or filed by a claimant as defined in <u>present law</u>, shall be filed within five years after the date on which the judgment of conviction becomes final or within five years after the date on which the supreme court denies the defendant's first application for appeal.

(Amends R.S. 46:1806(A))