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Hello,

My name is Richard Bates and I am writing to you in support of Harter's Bill hb7431. I believe an extension of the statute of limitations is definitely needed, because a child who has been a victim of child abuse needs time to get to a place emotionally to pursue justice on the parent or parents. Lisa Harter Petit and her brother David were severely abused as children and it still affects them emotionally. I myself was severely abused by my stepmother and she got away with it as Lisa's and David's stepmother has. I am asking you to please seek an extension of the statute of limitations on child abuse so as to allow for justice to be served for victims of child abuse. I thank you in advance for your support.

Sincerely,
Richard Bates