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HB 215 Original

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Abstract: Provides that the time limitations for prosecution of bank fraud shall not begin to run until the crime is discovered or should have been reasonably discovered by the victim or any other person who has suffered a financial loss as a result of the offense, whichever is later.

<u>Present law</u> provides that no person shall be prosecuted, tried, or punished for an offense not punishable by death or life imprisonment, unless the prosecution is instituted within the following periods of time after the offense has been committed:

- (1) Six years, for a felony necessarily punishable by imprisonment at hard labor.
- (2) Four years, for a felony not necessarily punishable by imprisonment at hard labor.
- (3) Two years, for a misdemeanor punishable by a fine, imprisonment, or both.
- (4) Six months, for a misdemeanor punishable only by a fine or forfeiture.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that these <u>present law</u> time limitations for the crime of bank fraud shall not commence to run until the crime is discovered or should have been reasonably discovered by the victim or is discovered or should have been reasonably discovered by any other person who has suffered a financial loss as a result of the offense, whichever is later.

Proposed law shall apply retroactively and prospectively.

Effective upon signature of governor or on June 8, 2017, whichever is earlier.

(Adds C.Cr.P. Art. 573.3)