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HB 42 Engrossed

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Abstract: Provides that the time limitations for prosecution of video voyeurism shall not begin to run until the crime is discovered by the victim.

<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 for an exception to these <u>present law</u> time limitations for the crime of video voyeurism, which shall not commence to run until the crime is discovered by the victim.

(Adds C.Cr.P. Art. 573.2)