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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to applicability of a statute of limitations to an action
- 3 based on a right or remedy provided by the Texas Constitution.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 16.051, Civil Practice and Remedies
- 6 Code, is amended to read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 16.051. RESIDUAL LIMITATIONS PERIOD. (a) Every action
- 8 for which there is no express limitations period, except an action
- 9 for the recovery of real property, must be brought not later than
- 10 four years after the day the cause of action accrues.
- 11 (b) The residual limitations period provided by Subsection
- 12 (a) does not apply to an action to enforce a right or remedy
- 13 provided by the constitution of this state, which is superior to all
- 14 state statutes, including a statute of limitations.
- SECTION 2. The amendment by this Act of Section 16.051,
- 16 Civil Practice and Remedies Code, is intended to clarify rather
- 17 than change existing law. An action to enforce a right or remedy
- 18 provided by the constitution of this state is not time barred
- 19 regardless of when the cause of action accrued and may be brought on
- 20 or after the effective date of this Act notwithstanding any
- 21 application of a statute of limitations to an action filed before
- 22 the effective date of this Act asserting the same cause of action.
- 23 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.