



# *ENACTMENT NEWS*

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## **Senate Bill 13** **Statutes of Limitations** **Effective June 16, 2021**

On March 11, 2021, Governor DeWine signed Senate Bill 13 (Sen. Lang) into law. It passed the Ohio Senate by a vote of 32-0 on February 3, 2021, and the Ohio House of Representatives by a vote of 95-0 on February 25, 2021. It went into effect June 16, 2021.

### **Statute of Repose**

- The bill shortens the statute of repose for legal malpractice actions to 4 years, generally.
- This change brings legal professionals in Ohio in line with other professionals in Ohio.

### **Statute of Limitations**

- For written contracts, the bill shortens the statute of limitations from 8 years to 6
- For oral contracts, the bill shortens the statute of limitations from 6 years to 4