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NEW YORK (AP) -- A group of advocates who work to fight child sex abuse are asking New York state lawmakers to eliminate the statute of limitations on certain sex crimes committed against minors.



Legislation that would eliminate the time restraints on the reporting of child sex abuse is pending in the state's Legislature. Advocates plan to gather at the Capitol on Wednesday to meet with lawmakers and speak out in favor of the change.

Under the state's current law, for charges to be brought a victim typically must report the allegations before they turn 23. Critics of that law say it must be changed to allow more victims to get justice and to recognize the seriousness of child sexual abuse.

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