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## **Sen. Jack Goodman's Bill Invoking True Life Sentence for Child Rape Receives First-Round Senate Approval**

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### ***Child Rapists May Face Life in Prison without Possibility of Parole or Probation***

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JEFFERSON CITY – Senator Jack Goodman (R-Mt. Vernon) obtained a favorable first-round vote today (2/11) in the full Senate for his Senate Bill 36, a bill that increases the maximum sentence for forcibly raping or sodomizing a child 11 years or younger to life in prison with no possibility of parole.

Under current law, such criminals are eligible for parole after serving 30 years.

“Violently raping a young child is a depraved act that instinctively provokes a sense of moral outrage in all civilized people,” Sen. Goodman said. “Our punishment for this crime should reflect that collective outrage to the full extent allowed by law.”

Senate Bill 36 must receive a second passing vote by the Senate to move to the House for consideration.

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