

# **Law change on child abuse compensation is welcomed**

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## **The effects of child abuse echo for a lifetime.**

For many victims, the best hope of achieving closure is acknowledgment of responsibility by the individuals and institutions involved, in an official forum.

That is why the Scottish Government's consultation about changing the law on claiming compensation for abuse is so vitally important.

For those who have been abused in care in Scotland, the existing mechanisms for pursuing compensation place a highly restrictive time bar on personal injury claims for recent abuse. Campaigners also point to the grave difficulties faced by victims of historic abuse in receiving justice through the courts.