

116TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 5053

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

AN ACT

To exempt juveniles from the requirements for suits by
prisoners, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Justice for Juveniles
3 Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. EXEMPTION OF JUVENILES FROM THE REQUIRE-**
5 **MENTS FOR SUITS BY PRISONERS.**

6 Section 7 of the Civil Rights of Institutionalized Per-
7 sons Act (42 U.S.C. 1997e) is amended—

8 (1) in subsection (h), by striking “sentenced
9 for, or adjudicated delinquent for,” and inserting
10 “or sentenced for”; and

11 (2) by adding at the end the following:

12 “(i) EXEMPTION OF JUVENILE PRISONERS.—This
13 section shall not apply to an action pending on the date
14 of enactment of the Justice for Juveniles Act or filed on
15 or after such date if such action is—

16 “(1) brought by a prisoner who has not at-
17 tained 22 years of age; or

18 “(2) brought by any prisoner with respect to a
19 prison condition that occurred before the prisoner
20 attained 22 years of age.”.

Passed the House of Representatives September 21,
2020.

Attest: CHERYL L. JOHNSON,
Clerk.