

MARKEY'S BILL RESEMBLES CHOPPED MEAT

Catholic League president Bill Donohue commented today on the latest amendment to New York State Assemblywoman Margaret Markey's bill dealing with the sexual abuse of minors:

Just after Markey changed her bill to include public institutions, she chopped her bill up even further by now saying that anyone who wants to file a suit during the one year suspension of the statute of limitations can do so providing he is not over the age of 53. Thus, her bill looks more like chopped meat than a serious piece of legislation. What it tells us is that her initial effort was ill considered. It should be obvious to everyone that Assemblyman Vito Lopez's bill is a viable alternative, one that does not suffer from being on the chopping block.

In the event Markey's bill passes, I repeat what I said on June 4: I will conduct a massive public education campaign alerting the public that they can now sue the public schools if they were abused by a public school employee, even if the incident took place when JFK was president (providing they are not over the age of 53).