

Surge of new abuse claims threatens church like never before

Bill In The News (AP):

AP interviews with more than a dozen lawyers and clergy abuse watchdog groups offered a wide range of estimates but many said they expected at least 5,000 new cases against the church in New York, New Jersey and California alone, resulting in potential payouts that could surpass the \$4 billion paid out since the clergy sex abuse first came to light in the 1980s.

Bill Donohue, president of the Catholic League and a longtime critic of the new statute-of-limitations laws, said their effect – if not their intent – “is to disable the church.” [READ MORE HERE](#)