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## Senate approves bill to give survivors of USC's Dr. Tyndall a chance at justice in state civil court

AB 1510 will allow victims facing statute of limitations challenges an opportunity to hold the doctor and university accountable

**SACRAMENTO (Sept. 4, 2019)** – The California Senate today approved urgency legislation to give sexual assault survivors of Dr. George Tyndall a chance to seek justice in a state civil court against the former USC gynecologist accused of molesting thousands of women in his care over nearly three decades.

Assembly Bill 1510 by Asm. Eloise Gómez Reyes (D-San Bernardino) and backed by Consumer Attorneys of California would allow former students to press ahead with legal claims that face being denied because the statute of limitations on their cases may have run out.

More than 700 former students have filed civil lawsuits in California state court against Tyndall and USC for sexual battery and related sexual abuse. Their cases date as far back as the late 1980s.

Senate amendments made AB 1510 an urgency measure that would take immediate effect after being signed by Gov. Gavin Newsom. It was approved by the Senate on a 38-0 vote.

AB 1510 is supported by the USC student government and other student groups, the California Women's Law Center, Courage Campaign, Equal Rights Advocates and the Student Senate for California Community Colleges.

The bill now goes back to the Assembly for a concurrence vote, where it also will require a two-thirds vote.

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