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L.I. 'Perv' Priest Suspended

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April 9, 2006 -- A Long Island priest has been suspended by his diocese after two women accused him of giving them weekly, hourlong "hugging" sessions and made them sit on his lap when they were 13 and 14 years old, sources said.

Janique McKenny, 39, says she endured a year of the close physical contact at the hands of the Rev. William Logan when she was 13.

McKenny confronted the priest last month in a meeting she secretly recorded.

The cleric repeatedly apologized for his 1980 behavior - because years ago "what seemed an expression of warmth or comforting, would now seem, in retrospect, grossly inappropriate," said Logan.

A Diocese of Rockville Centre spokesman confirmed Logan had been placed on administrative leave.

McKenny has not filed suit, because the statute of limitations has passed. The other unidentified woman could not be reached.

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