



House of Representatives

General Assembly

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House Bill No. 5222

House of Representatives, April 4, 2018

The Committee on Public Safety and Security reported through REP. VERRENGIA of the 20th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING ACCESS TO INFORMATION FOR SEXUAL ASSAULT VICTIMS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) The Commission on the
2 Standardization of the Collection of Evidence in Sexual Assault
3 Investigations, established pursuant to section 19a-112a of the general
4 statutes, shall examine ways to ensure each victim of sexual assault has
5 access to information regarding the victim's sexual assault evidence
6 collection kit, including, but not limited to, when the kit was tested,
7 whether DNA (deoxyribonucleic acid) obtained from the testing of the
8 kit was entered into the DNA data bank established pursuant to
9 section 54-102j of the general statutes, a national DNA data bank or
10 any other data bank of another state, and whether the sample derived
11 from the kit satisfactorily matches a profile in any such DNA data
12 bank. On or before October 1, 2018, the commission shall submit a
13 report of its findings and any recommendations for legislation to the
14 joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance

15 of matters relating to public safety and security, in accordance with the
16 provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

PS *Joint Favorable*

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OFA Fiscal Note***State Impact:*** None***Municipal Impact:*** None***Explanation***

The bill requires the Commission on the Standardization of the Collection of Evidence in Sexual Assault Investigations to examine ways to provide victims of sexual assault with information related to their sexual assault evidence collection kits and does not result in a fiscal impact as the Commission has the expertise to examine this issue.

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OLR Bill Analysis

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SUMMARY

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Public Safety and Security Committee

Joint Favorable

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