

2021 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 433

BY REPRESENTATIVES MOORE, MAGEE, AND PHELPS

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

CRIMINAL/VICTIMS: Provides relative to sexual assault collection kits

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 15:604(4) and (5), relative to the DNA Detection of Sexual and Violent
3 Offenders Act; to provide relative to the powers and duties of state police; to require
4 state police to employ a person to assess, implement, and manage the sexual assault
5 tracking system; to require state police to initially purchase a certain amount of the
6 sexual assault forensic examination kits; to provide for an effective date; and to
7 provide for related matters.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. R.S. 15:604(4) and (5) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

10 §604. Powers and duties of state police

11 In addition to any other powers and duties conferred in this Chapter, the state
12 police shall:

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14 (4) Employ a person to conduct an assessment of the sexual assault tracking
15 system needs, to implement a new system based on those needs, and to manage the
16 system thereafter.

17 (5) Make the initial purchase of up to sixty thousand dollars of the sexual
18 assault forensic examination kits.

19 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
20 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature

1 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
2 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
3 effective on the day following such approval.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Requires state police employ a person to assess, implement, and manage the sexual assault tracking system and to require the initial purchase up to \$60,000 of the sexual assault forensic examination kits.

Present law requires state police to be responsible for the policy management and administration of the state DNA identification record system to support law enforcement and criminal justice agencies.

Present law further requires state police to promulgate rules and regulations to carry out present law provisions.

Present law also requires state police to provide for a liaison with the FBI and other criminal justice agencies in regard to the state's participation in CODIS or in any DNA database designated by the state police.

Proposed law retains present law and also requires state police to employ a person to assess, implement, and manage the sexual assault tracking system.

Proposed law also requires state police to initially purchase up to \$60,000 of the sexual assault forensic examination kits.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 15:604(4) and (5))