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CS FOR SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 182(STA)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

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Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES TARR, Spohnholz, Drummond, Tuck, Zulkosky

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FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

"An Act relating to testing of sexual assault examination kits; and providing for an effective date."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

* Section 1. AS 44.41.065(a) is amended to read:

(a) When a law enforcement agency collects a sexual assault examination kit under AS 18.68.010, the agency shall

(1) within 30 days after the agency collects the sexual assault examination kit, send the sexual assault examination kit to an accredited laboratory in coordination with the Department of Public Safety or a laboratory operated by the Department of Public Safety;

(2) ensure that the laboratory to which the sexual assault examination kit is sent under (1) of this subsection conducts a serological or DNA test on the sexual assault examination kit within <u>six months</u> [ONE YEAR] after the laboratory receives the sexual assault examination kit; and

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(3) within two weeks after the laboratory that receives the sexual assault examination kit under (1) of this subsection completes serological or DNA testing, make a reasonable effort to notify the victim from whom the sexual assault examination kit was collected that the sexual assault examination kit has been tested.
* Sec. 2. This Act takes effect July 1, 2021.

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