

House Bill (HB) 62

Sexual Assault Examination Kit Tracking System

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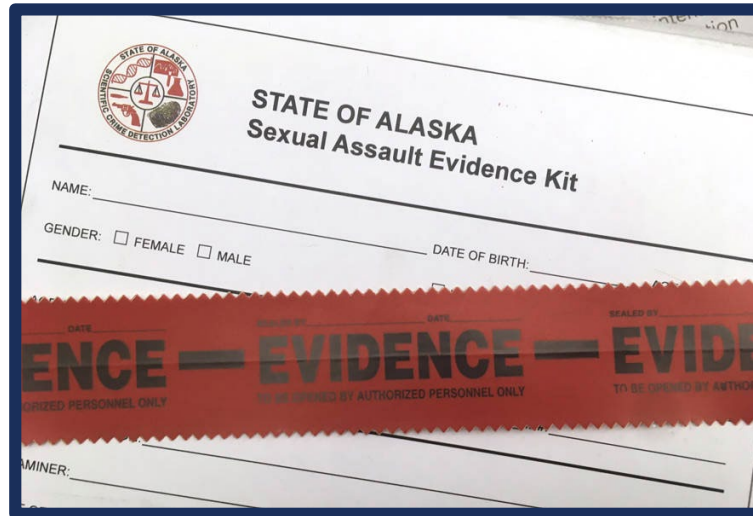
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Key Provisions

- Timelines for transmittal and testing of Sexual Assault Kits
- Codifying the Sexual Assault Kit Tracking System
- Survivor Rights and Transparency



The image shows a form for the State of Alaska Sexual Assault Evidence Kit. The form is white with a red header band. The header band contains the text "EVIDENCE — EVIDENCE — EVIDENCE" in large, bold, black letters. Below the header band, the form includes fields for "NAME:", "GENDER: ☐ FEMALE ☐ MALE", and "DATE OF BIRTH:". The form also features the State of Alaska seal and the text "STATE OF ALASKA Sexual Assault Evidence Kit". At the bottom, there is a section for "EXAMINER:" with a line for a signature.



Time Processing of Kits

- **Medical providers** must notify law enforcement within **14 days** after evidence collection
 - New Requirement
- **Law enforcement** must transfer kits to an accredited laboratory within **20 days**
 - Currently 30 days
- **Laboratory** must complete testing within **120 days**
 - Currently 180 days



Survivor Rights and Transparency

- Survivors must be notified when their kits are tested
- The tracking system enables survivors to stay informed and connected to their case without compromising their privacy or needing to re-engage with law enforcement
- The system ensures survivors can securely monitor the status of their kits and opt-in for automated updates



Codification of the Sexual Assault Kit Tracking System

- Sexual assault examination kit tracking system will be operated by the Department of Public Safety
- Data remains confidential to protect survivor privacy





Thank You

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