

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 531

BY REPRESENTATIVE TRAVIS JOHNSON

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

NURSES: Provides for forensic medical examinations of sexual assault survivors

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1216.1(A)(introductory paragraph), relative to forensic  
3 medical examinations of sexual assault survivors; to require a healthcare facility or  
4 hospital to offer forensic medical examinations to sexual assault survivors; and to  
5 provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 40:1216.1(A)(introductory paragraph) is hereby amended and  
8 reenacted to read as follows:

9 §1216.1. Procedures for survivors of a sexually oriented criminal offense;  
10 immunity; regional plans; maximum allowable costs; definitions; documents  
11 requested by victim

12 A. All licensed hospitals and healthcare providers in Louisiana shall offer  
13 every sexual assault survivor the opportunity to receive the treatment provided for  
14 in this Section. A licensed hospital or healthcare provider shall adhere to the  
15 following procedures if a person presents for treatment as a sexual assault survivor:

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DIGEST

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**Abstract** Requires a licensed healthcare facility or hospital to offer treatment and examinations to sexual assault survivors.

Present law requires all licensed hospitals and healthcare providers in this state to adhere to certain procedures for the treatment of sexual assault survivors.

Proposed law requires a licensed healthcare facility or hospital to offer treatment and examinations to sexual assault survivors.

(Amends R.S. 40:1216.1(A)(intro. para.))