

2025 Regular Session

ACT No. 289

HOUSE BILL NO. 531

BY REPRESENTATIVES TRAVIS JOHNSON, BAYHAM, BERAULT, BILLINGS,
BUTLER, CARVER, CHASSION, FISHER, FREEMAN, FREIBERG, HORTON,
JACKSON, MARCELLE, MOORE, SPELL, WALTERS, AND WYBLE AND
SENATORS BARROW, BOUDREAUX, JACKSON-ANDREWS, MIZELL,
PRICE, AND WOMACK

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1216.1(A)(introductory paragraph) and to enact R.S.
3 36:702(9), relative to forensic medical examinations of sexual assault survivors; to
4 require a healthcare facility or hospital to offer forensic medical examinations to
5 sexual assault survivors; to provide for powers and duties of the attorney general; to
6 require the Louisiana Legislative Auditor to conduct audits; and to provide for
7 related matters.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. R.S. 36:702(9) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

10 §702. Powers and duties of attorney general

11 * * *

12 (9) Provide for the statewide coordination of sexual assault nurse examiners,
13 with a specific focus on ensuring access to services provided by sexual assault nurse
14 examiners in rural areas. The statewide coordination provided for in this Paragraph
15 may be funded through grants or appropriations by the legislature.

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