

New law defines "criminal justice agency" as any government agency or subunit thereof, or private agency that, through statutory authorization or a legal formal agreement with a governmental unit or agency, has the power of investigation, arrest, detention, prosecution, adjudication, treatment, supervision, rehabilitation or release of persons suspected, charged, or convicted of a crime; or that collects, stores, processes, transmits, or disseminates criminal history record or crime information.

Requires all criminal justice agencies charged with the maintenance, storage, and preservation of sexual assault collection kits to conduct a physical inventory of all such kits being stored by the agency and to compile, in writing, a report to the director of the LSP Crime Lab containing the number of untested sexual assault collection kits in the possession of the agency and the date the sexual assault kit was collected by January 1, 2015.

Requires the LSP Crime Lab to prepare and transmit a report to the chairman of the Senate Committee on Judiciary B and the chairman of the House of Representatives Committee on Judiciary containing the number of untested sexual assault collection kits being stored by each parish, by each criminal justice agency, and the date the untested kit was collected by March 1, 2015. Also requires the report to identify criminal justice agencies that failed to report.

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