

## HB21 INTRODUCED



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SYNOPSIS:

This bill would require every law enforcement agency and the Alabama Department of Forensic Sciences to report certain data regarding sexual assault cases to the Alabama State Law Enforcement Agency.

This bill would also require the Alabama State Law Enforcement Agency to submit an annual report containing certain data regarding sexual assault cases to the Chairs of the House and Senate Judiciary Committees.

A BILL  
TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

Relating to criminal procedure; to require law enforcement agencies and the Alabama Department of Forensic Sciences to submit an annual report containing certain data regarding sexual assault cases to the Alabama State Law Enforcement Agency; and to require the Alabama State Law Enforcement Agency to submit an annual report containing certain data regarding sexual assault cases to the Chairs of the House and Senate Judiciary Committees.



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29 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

30 Section 1. (a) For the purposes of this section, the  
31 term "sexual assault" is as defined in Section 15-23-121, Code  
32 of Alabama 1975.

33 (b) By the first day of April of each year, every law  
34 enforcement agency, as defined in Section 15-5-62, Code of  
35 Alabama 1975, shall report all of the following information  
36 for the prior calendar year to the Alabama State Law  
37 Enforcement Agency:

38 (1) The number of new sexual assault cases reported.

39 (2) The number of new sexual assault cases reported  
40 where evidence from a medical forensic examination was  
41 submitted for forensic analysis.

42 (3) The number of sexual assault cases reported where  
43 evidence from a medical forensic examination was not submitted  
44 for forensic analysis and the reason it was not submitted.

45 (4) The number of sexual assault cases that were closed  
46 due to judicial or investigative reasons and the reasons the  
47 cases were closed.

48 (c) By the first day of April of each year, the Alabama  
49 Department of Forensic Sciences shall report all of the  
50 following information for the prior calendar year to the  
51 Alabama State Law Enforcement Agency:

52 (1) The number of sexual assault cases received.

53 (2) The number of sexual assault cases completed.

54 (3) The number of sexual assault cases in progress as  
55 of December 31 of the prior calendar year.

56 (d) By the first day of May of each year, the Alabama



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57 State Law Enforcement Agency shall transmit a summary report  
58 to the Chairs of the House and Senate Judiciary Committees  
59 containing all of the following:

60 (1) The information submitted in accordance with  
61 subsections (b) and (c).

62 (2) The name and contact information of any entity that  
63 failed to comply with subsections (b) and (c).

64 Section 2. This act shall become effective on the first  
65 day of the third month following its passage and approval by  
66 the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.