

HB 2585-S - DIGEST

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/07/18)

Requires a hospital that does not provide sexual assault evidence kit collection, or may not have appropriate providers available to provide the collection at all times, to develop a plan, in consultation with the local community sexual assault agency, to assist individuals with obtaining the collection at a facility that provides the collection.

Requires a hospital that does not perform the collection, or have appropriate providers available, to: (1) Provide notice to an individual who presents in the emergency department and requests a collection that the hospital does not perform the collection and/or does not have appropriate providers available; and

(2) Coordinate care with the local community sexual assault agency and assist the patient in finding a facility with an appropriate provider available.

States that the failure of a hospital to comply is punishable by a civil penalty of two thousand dollars.