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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2080

5 By: Representative Petty
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT CONCERNING SEXUAL ASSAULT MEDICAL LEGAL
9 EXAMINATIONS; CONCERNING THE COLLECTION AND TESTING
10 OF DNA DURING A CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION; AND FOR OTHER
11 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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23 *SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 12-12-403(b)(1), concerning a victim's*
24 *being exempt from paying for a medical-legal examination, is amended to read*
25 *as follows:*

26 *(b)(1)(A) All victims shall be exempted from the payment of expenses*
27 *incurred as a result of receiving a medical-legal examination ~~provided the~~*
28 *~~victim must receive~~ if the victim receives the medical-legal examination*
29 *within ~~seventy-two (72)~~ ninety-six (96) hours of the attack.*

30 *(B) However, the ~~seventy-two-hour~~ time limitation of of*
31 *ninety-six (96) hours may be waived if the victim is a minor or if the Crime*
32 *Victims Reparations Board finds that good cause exists for the failure to*
33 *provide the ~~exam~~ medical-legal examination within the required time.*
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35 /s/Petty
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