

1-1 By: Flores S.B. No. 608
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed December 13, 2024; February 3, 2025,
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Criminal Justice;
1-4 March 19, 2025, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 7,
1-5 Nays 0; March 19, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-6	COMMITTEE VOTE			
1-7		Yea	Nay	Absent
1-8	Flores	X		PNV
1-9	Parker	X		
1-10	Hagenbuch	X		
1-11	Hinojosa of Hidalgo	X		
1-12	Huffman	X		
1-13	King	X		
1-14	Miles	X		

1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to reporting information regarding certain evidence
1-18 collection kits.
1-19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
1-20 SECTION 1. Section [420.034](#), Government Code, is amended by
1-21 amending Subsection (h) and adding Subsection (i) to read as
1-22 follows:
1-23 (h) Not later than December 1 of each year, the department
1-24 shall submit a report to the governor, lieutenant governor, speaker
1-25 of the house of representatives, and members of the legislature
1-26 identifying the number of evidence collection kits:
1-27 (1) that have not yet been submitted for laboratory
1-28 analysis or for which the laboratory analysis has not yet been
1-29 completed, as applicable; and
1-30 (2) that a law enforcement agency did not take
1-31 possession of within the period required by Section [420.035\(b\)](#) or
1-32 (c), as applicable.
1-33 (i) The annual report required by Subsection (h) must be
1-34 titled "Statewide Electronic Tracking System Report" and must be
1-35 posted on the department's publicly accessible Internet website.
1-36 SECTION 2. Section [351.257](#), Local Government Code, is
1-37 amended to read as follows:
1-38 Sec. 351.257. REPORT. Not later than December 1 of each
1-39 odd-numbered year, a response team shall provide to the
1-40 commissioners court of each county the response team serves a
1-41 report that includes:
1-42 (1) a list of response team members able to
1-43 participate in the quarterly meetings required by Section
1-44 [351.254\(c\)](#);
1-45 (2) a copy of the written protocol developed under
1-46 Section [351.256](#); and
1-47 (3) either:
1-48 (A) a biennial summary detailing:
1-49 (i) the number of sexual assault reports
1-50 received by local law enforcement agencies;
1-51 (ii) the number of investigations conducted
1-52 as a result of those reports;
1-53 (iii) the number of indictments presented
1-54 in connection with a report and the disposition of those cases;
1-55 ~~and~~
1-56 (iv) the number of reports of sexual
1-57 assault for which no indictment was presented; and
1-58 (v) the number of evidence collection kits
1-59 described by Section [420.031](#), Government Code, that a law
1-60 enforcement agency did not take possession of within the period
1-61 required by Section [420.035\(b\)](#) or (c), Government Code, as

2-1 applicable; or
2-2 (B) an explanation of the reason the response
2-3 team failed to provide the information described by Paragraph (A).
2-4 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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