

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 1st Session of the 60th Legislature (2025)

4 HOUSE BILL 2705

By: Ford and **Fugate** of the
House

5 and

6 **Haste** of the Senate

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10 AS INTRODUCED

11 An Act relating to sexual assault victims; directing
12 law enforcement agencies to inform sexual assault
13 victims of the status of certain evidence; allowing
14 for submission of written requests; specifying list
15 of rights for sexual assault victims; stating intent
16 of statute; allowing law enforcement to deny
17 disclosure under certain circumstances; providing for
18 codification; and providing an effective date.

19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

20 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified

21 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 142C-6 of Title 21, unless there
22 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

23 A. Upon the request of a sexual assault victim, the
24 investigating law enforcement agency shall inform the victim of the

1 status of the sexual assault forensic evidence from the criminal
2 case of the victim. The law enforcement agency may, at its
3 discretion, require that the request by the victim be in writing.
4 The provisions of this subsection shall not require a law
5 enforcement agency to communicate with the victim or the advocate of
6 the victim regarding the status of forensic testing absent a
7 specific request from the victim or advocate of the victim.

8 B. Sexual assault victims have the right to be informed of the
9 following:

10 1. Whether or not a deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) profile was
11 obtained from the testing of the sexual assault forensic evidence
12 from the criminal case of the victim;

13 2. Whether or not the DNA profile developed from the sexual
14 assault forensic evidence has been entered into the Combined DNA
15 Index System (CODIS) Database; and

16 3. Whether or not there is a confirmed match between the DNA
17 profile developed from the sexual assault evidence and a DNA profile
18 contained in the Combined DNA Index System (CODIS) Database.

19 C. This section is intended to encourage law enforcement
20 agencies to notify victims of information that is in the possession
21 of the law enforcement agencies.

22 D. This section shall not require the disclosure of evidence,
23 information, or results which would impede or compromise an ongoing
24 criminal investigation.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.

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3 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND PUBLIC SAFETY
OVERSIGHT, dated 03/04/2025 - DO PASS, As Coauthored.

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