

One Hundred Eighth Legislature - Second Session - 2024

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB870

Chairperson: Senator Justin Wayne

Committee: Judiciary

Date of Hearing: January 26, 2024

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

Current law mandates that law enforcement preserve sexual assault kits for 20 years. LB 870 would cause the victim to be notified by law enforcement at least 6 weeks before the destruction or disposal of the kit and if the victim requests, the kit would be preserved for another 20 years.

LB 870 also gives the victim the right to be informed of any change of status of the case such as being reopened or closed.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Machaela Cavanaugh