## **Bill Summary** 1<sup>st</sup> Session of the 58<sup>th</sup> Legislature

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## **Bill Analysis**

HB 2546 creates the "Sexual Assault Victims' Right to Information Act. The measure provides that a sexual assault victim retains the rights provided in the measure regardless of whether the victim agrees to participate in the criminal justice system at any time and regardless of whether the victim agrees to receive a medical evidentiary examination to collect sexual assault forensic evidence. Such rights include the right to confidentially consult, either in person virtually or telephonically, with a sexual assault victims' advocate before the commencement of any medical evidentiary or physical examination and the right to request and receive the results and status of the analysis of the sexual assault forensic evidence relating to the victim. Additionally, if the victim retains counsel, such counsel may be present during all stages of the investigation or other interaction with representatives from the legal or criminal justice systems within the state.

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