

HB 2628 -- VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT

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This bill establishes the "Compassionate Assistance for Rape Emergencies (CARE) Act". Under this bill, it will be the standard of care for any hospital or health care facility that provides emergency care to sexual assault victims to inform each victim of the option to be provided emergency contraception at the hospital or health care facility; provide such emergency contraception to each victim who requests it; and provide sexually transmitted infection screening and treatment to the victim.

Additionally, current law requires the Department of Public Safety to make payments to medical providers to cover reasonable charges of a forensic examination of persons who may be victims of sexual offenses. This bill adds medical treatment to what must be covered by the Department, including, but not limited to, emergency contraception.

This bill is similar to SB 924 (2026).