



2021 ASSEMBLY BILL 871

January 18, 2022 - Introduced by Representatives BRANDTJEN, GUNDRUM, MURPHY, MURSAU, SUBECK, THIESFELDT and WICHGERS, cosponsored by Senator JACQUE. Referred to Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 165.775 (3) (b) and 165.775 (4) (b) of the statutes; **relating to:**
2 a time limitation for processing sexual assault kits.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law contains procedures for the transmission, processing, and storage of sexual assault kits. Under current law, once the state crime laboratories takes possession of a sexual assault kit, it must do one of the following: 1) if it has received the kit of a person who has not consented to analysis, securely store the kit for a period of 10 years; or 2) if it has received the kit of a person who has consented to analysis, process the kit in accordance with Department of Justice procedures and then send the kit to a law enforcement agency for storage for a statutorily prescribed period of time. This bill provides that the state crime laboratories must process the sexual assault kit of a person who has consented to analysis within 90 days after receiving the kit.

For further information see the state fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

3 **SECTION 1.** 165.775 (3) (b) of the statutes, as created by 2021 Wisconsin Act 117,
4 is amended to read:

