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H 1767. DNA TESTING. *TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION MUST DO DNA TESTING AND ANALYSIS OF EVIDENCE COLLECTED AT A RAPE CRIME SCENE IF REQUESTED BY THE VICTIM OR THE INVESTIGATING LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY AND THAT THE COSTS OF THE TESTS AND ANALYSIS SHALL BE BORNE BY THE STATE.* Adds new GS 15A-267.1, as title indicates. Sets out procedures for requesting the DNA tests, including requirement that requests be in writing. Rewrites GS 15A-268, relating to the preservation of samples of biological materials, requiring the district attorney to give a rape victim notice by certified mail of the government's intent to dispose of DNA evidence, and giving that person the right to object to the destruction of the evidence. Effective Dec. 1, 2002, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

Intro. by Miner.

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