

Amendment to SB 145-FN

1 Amend the title of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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3 AN ACT establishing an evidence shipping pilot program.

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5 Amend the bill by replacing all after section 1 with the following:

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7 2 New Subdivision; Evidence Shipping Pilot Program. Amend RSA 21-P by inserting after  
8 section 70 the following new subdivision:

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Evidence Shipping Pilot Program

10 21-P:71 Evidence Shipping Pilot Program.

11 I. The department of safety may develop an evidence shipping pilot program to alleviate long  
12 waiting periods for evidence to be safely delivered to the state forensic laboratory, where it can be  
13 properly stored pending analysis. A special emphasis shall be placed on supporting law enforcement  
14 in rural communities where resources are limited.

15 II. In this pilot program, all evidence collected by medical personnel in a sexual assault case  
16 occurring in the state of New Hampshire shall be transferred to the state forensic laboratory within  
17 7 business days of collection. If a law enforcement agency cannot deliver the evidence in person to  
18 the state forensic laboratory, which shall be the preferred method of delivery, the agency may use a  
19 common carrier that provides readily accessible package tracking to send the evidence to the state  
20 forensic laboratory for delivery within 7 business days of collection. Law enforcement must have a  
21 good faith basis to believe that the common carrier will accomplish delivery in 7 business days prior  
22 to choosing the common carrier. When utilizing delivery by a common carrier, law enforcement shall  
23 deliver the packaged evidence in-hand to an agent of the carrier, and not by drop box or other drop  
24 off, and keep track of the package's routing and delivery by tracking number assigned by the carrier.

25 III. The department of safety shall adopt rules under RSA 541-A for the design,  
26 administration, and reporting requirements of the program.

27 3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect July 1, 2025.

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill enables the department of safety to develop an evidence shipping pilot program.