

Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE BILL NO. 1038

BY REPRESENTATIVE DIXON

CRIMINAL/PROCEDURE: Extends the period in which to file an application for DNA testing

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 926.1(A)(1) and (H)(3), relative
3 to post-conviction DNA testing; to extend the time period in which to file an
4 application for post-conviction DNA testing; to extend the time period for
5 preservation of biological material which can be subject to DNA testing once an
6 application for DNA testing has been served; and to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. Code of Criminal Procedure Article 926.1(A)(1) and (H)(3) are hereby
9 amended and reenacted to read as follows:

10 Art. 926.1. Application for DNA testing

11 A.(1) Prior to August 31, ~~2014~~ 2019, a person convicted of a felony may file
12 an application under the provisions of this Article for post-conviction relief
13 requesting DNA testing of an unknown sample secured in relation to the offense for
14 which he was convicted. On or after August 31, ~~2014~~ 2019, a petitioner may request
15 DNA testing under the rules for filing an application for post-conviction relief as
16 provided in Article 930.4 or 930.8 of this Code.

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