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SCORECARD TOPLINES

Child marriage is permitted for children as young as 14 years of age. Consent to sexual contact is not required to be freely given or by affirmative consent. Impact of intoxication on ability to consent to sexual contact is not clearly accounted for. Hate crimes law does not require data collection, does not criminalize interference with religious worship or hate crimes based on sexual orientation, gender identity, political affiliation, or age. No survivors' right to notice and no rape kit tracking system exist. Spousal rape exception exists for sexual contact under laws criminalizing certain sexual contact between people with a supervisory relationship. Has not eliminated the statute of limitations for all felony sex crimes and no exception for statute of limitations exists for DNA evidence.

Child Marriage

The age of consent for marriage is generally 18 years of age. Minors are permitted to marry at 14 years of age with parental consent and a judicial order. Marriage under 16 years of age is permitted with parental consent. Judicial approval is only required if a child is between 16 years of age and 14 years of age. Parental consent is not required for minors to marry if they are active members of the armed forces. A lower age limit does not exist because an individual is pregnant or because the individuals have been married previously. Gender differences do not exist in the lowest age allowed to marry.

Consent to Sexual Contact

The lowest age to give consent for sexual contact is 13 years of age. The law does account for a difference in age between the individuals engaging in sexual contact. The law does not require consent to be freely given or given by affirmative consent. The law accounts for a person's developmental disability or mental capacity impacting their ability to consent. The law accounts for a person's consciousness impacting their ability to consent. The law at times accounts for a person's intoxication impacting their ability to consent if intoxication makes an individual "unaware that a sexual act is being committed." The law accounts for the relationship between a victim and perpetrator impacting the victim's ability to consent.

Discrimination & Hate Crimes

The state does have a hate crimes law but does not require data collection on hate crimes. The state does not criminalize interference with religious worship. The state does have a penalty enhancement for crimes or an independent crime for crimes motivated by race, religion, or ethnicity. The state does not have a penalty enhancement for crimes motivated by sexual orientation. The state does have a penalty enhancement for crimes motivated by gender. The state does not have a penalty enhancement for crimes or an independent

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crime for crimes motivated by gender identity. The state does have a penalty enhancement for crimes motivated by disability. The state does not have a penalty enhancement for crimes motivated by political affiliation or age.

Rape Kit Processing



The state has conducted an inventory of untested rape kits and the inventory is recurring. Testing of the backlog of untested rape kits has occurred. Mandatory testing of new rape kits is required to occur. A rape kit tracking system has not been implemented. A survivor's right to notice does not exist. The state has provided funding for rape kit handling reform.

Spousal Rape



The state does treat rape of a spouse differently than rape of an individual who is not a spouse of the perpetrator. The state does not allow for conviction of a spouse for raping their partner if the partner is unconscious, drugged, or otherwise incapacitated under certain sexual assault laws. An exemption for spousal rape does not exist under laws criminalizing statutory rape. An exemption for spousal rape or unwanted sexual contact does exist under laws criminalizing sexual contact between people with a supervisory relationship.

Statute of Limitations for Sexual Crimes



The state does not have a reduced statute of limitations for criminal prosecution if a victim chooses not to report or delays reporting the crime. The statute of limitations for the most serious felony sex crime is 21 years or more. The statute of limitations has not been eliminated for all felony sex crimes. Exceptions to the statute of limitations do not exist to allow an exception for DNA evidence.