

STATE OF MINNESOTA

FORENSIC LABORATORY ADVISORY BOARD 1430 Maryland Avenue East • St. Paul, MN 55106

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Legislative Report:

Minn. Stat. 299C.156 Subd. 6 mandates that the Forensic Science Advisory Board provide the governor and the legislature reports generated as a result of any investigations conducted by the Board relating to alleged negligence or misconduct of Forensic Laboratories by January 15th of each year.

There were no investigations to report under 299C156 Subd. 6.

Minn. Stat. 299C.156 Subd. 7 mandates a report to the legislature on recommendations to improve the turnaround time of forensic laboratory analysis services in Minnesota by January 15th of each year.

The Board issued a "**Report on the appropriateness of additional regional forensic crime laboratories**" to the Legislature on Feb. 1, 2008, and believes that it meets the obligation under 299C156 Subd. 7 The following is a link to that report:

http://www.bca.state.mn.us/ForensicLabAdvisoryBoard/Documents/CrimeLabWo rkingGroupFinalReport2-1-08.pdf

The Board has no resources to carry out its mission. Funding for a part time Executive Director and contracts to carry out its legislatively mandated duties are essential if the Legislature desires a functional Board.

Respectively submitted,

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