## WILLIAM VAN REGENMORTER CRIME VICTIM'S RIGHTS ACT (EXCERPT) Act 87 of 1985

## 780.783 Return of property to victim.

Sec. 33.

- (1) The law enforcement agency having responsibility for investigating a reported offense shall promptly return to the victim property belonging to that victim that is taken in the course of the investigation, except as provided in subsections (2) to (4).
  - (2) The agency shall not return property that is contraband.
  - (3) The agency shall not return property if the ownership of the property is disputed until the dispute is resolved.
- (4) The agency shall retain as evidence any weapon used in the commission of the offense and any other evidence if the prosecuting attorney certifies that there is a need to retain that evidence in lieu of a photograph or other means of memorializing its possession by the agency.

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