
DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides relative to notification for victims and law enforcement prior to the release of violent and sexual offenders.

Present law provides for basic rights for victims and witnesses of a crime.

Present law provides for duties of the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections.

Proposed law retains present law and provides that when an inmate who has been convicted of a crime of violence as defined in present law (R.S. 14:2(B)) or a sex offense as defined in present law (R.S. 15:541) is eligible for release pursuant to present law (R.S. 15:571.3), the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections shall notify the victim or the victim's family, all persons who have filed a victim registration and notification form, the appropriate law enforcement agency, and the appropriate district attorney no later than 60 days prior to the inmate's release.

(Adds R.S. 46:1844(N)(5))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to the original bill:

1. Make technical changes.
2. Change the entity responsible for notification of an offender's release from the board of pardons or committee on parole to the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections.
3. Change the time period for notification from 30 days to 60 days.