
DIGEST

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HB No. 326

Abstract: Provides relative to the district attorney's participation in parole hearings and to provide notice to the district attorney of such hearings.

Present law requires the committee on parole to provide written notification to the following persons at least seven days prior to the release of any parolees that reside within the jurisdiction of the agency they represent: chief of police, sheriff, district attorney for the parish where the parolee resides, and the district attorney for the parish where the parolee was convicted.

Proposed law retains present law and provides that in addition to this notice, the committee on parole shall provide written notification to the district attorney for the parish where the offender was convicted at least 30 days prior to the parole hearing date.

Proposed law further authorizes the district attorney of the parish where the offender was convicted to present evidence and witness testimony directly, to cross examine witnesses presented by or on behalf of the offender, and to rebut evidence presented by or on behalf of the offender.

(Amends R.S. 15:574.2(D)(8))