RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 6 (HB 12) 2020 Second Extraordinary Session Marino

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<u>New law</u> amends <u>prior law</u> to allow any person providing testimony to appear before the board by means of teleconference or telephone communication and removes the provision which requires the person to be at the office of the local district attorney.

<u>Prior law</u> authorized a crime victim or the victim's family, a victim advocacy group, and the district attorney or his representatives to appear before the committee on parole (committee) by means of telephone communication from the office of the local district attorney.

<u>New law</u> amends <u>prior law</u> to allow any person providing testimony to appear before the committee by means of teleconference or telephone communication and removes the provision which requires the person to be at the office of the local district attorney.

Effective upon signature of governor (Oct. 20, 2020).

(Amends R.S. 15:573.2 and 574.4.1(A)(2))