

WILLIAM DONALD SCHAEFER, Governor

Article 41 - Governor - Executive and Administrative
Departments

4-504.

(d) (1) IN THIS SUBSECTION, "VICTIM" MEANS A PERSON WHO SUFFERS PERSONAL PHYSICAL INJURY OR DEATH AS A DIRECT RESULT OF A CRIME OR, IF THE VICTIM IS DECEASED, A DESIGNATED FAMILY MEMBER OF THE VICTIM.

[(1)] (2) (i) In cases where a defendant is sentenced to the Division of Correction, if the victim [of a violent crime under Article 27, § 643B of the Code, or if the victim is deceased, a designated family member of the victim,] makes a written request, once every 2 years, to the Commission for notification and maintains a current address on file with the Commission, the Commission, at least 90 days before the parole release hearing, shall notify the victim or designated representative in writing, directed to the most current address on file, that a parole release hearing has been scheduled for the inmate convicted of the commission of the violent crime.

(ii) [The victim or designated representative] IF THE INMATE WAS CONVICTED OF A VIOLENT CRIME UNDER ARTICLE 27, § 643B OF THE CODE:

1. THE VICTIM may submit to the Commission, in writing, not later than 30 days from the date of the Commission's notice, a request to require the Division of Parole and Probation to complete an updated victim impact statement.

[(iii)] 2. The Division of Parole and Probation shall complete the updated statement at least 30 days prior to the parole release hearing.

[(iv) 1.] 3. The Division of Parole and Probation shall promptly send the updated victim impact statement to the Commission.

(III) AT LEAST 30 DAYS BEFORE THE PAROLE RELEASE HEARING, THE VICTIM MAY MAKE A WRITTEN RECOMMENDATION TO THE COMMISSION ON THE ADVISABILITY OF RELEASING THE INMATE ON PAROLE.

[2.] (IV) The Commission shall [provide that] MAKE the updated victim impact statement OR RECOMMENDATION [is in the inmate's parole file] AVAILABLE for the inmate's review [of the parole file] UNDER § 4-505 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(v) If an updated victim impact statement OR RECOMMENDATION is prepared under this subsection, the Commission