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- 1. Make a written recommendation to the Commission on the advisability of releasing the inmate on parole; and
- 2. Request that an inmate be prohibited from having any contact with a victim as a condition of parole.
- (iv) The Commission shall make the updated victim impact statement or recommendation available for the inmate's review under § 4-505 of this subtitle.
- (v) If an updated victim impact statement or recommendation is prepared under this subsection, the Commission shall consider the updated victim impact statement or recommendation at the parole release hearing.
- (vi) The victim may designate, in writing to the Commission, the name and address of a representative who is a resident of this State to receive notice for the victim.
 - (3) The victim may request a meeting with a Commission member.
- (4) AT THE PAROLE RELEASE HEARING FOR AN INMATE CONVICTED OF THE VIOLENT CRIME, THE VICTIM OR A DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE MAY:
 - (I) PRESENT ORAL TESTIMONY; AND
- (II) REBUT ANY TESTIMONY PRESENTED BY THE INMATE.
 PRESENT ORAL TESTIMONY IN A MANNER ESTABLISHED IN REGULATIONS
 PROMULGATED BY THE COMMISSION.
- [(4)](5) The Commission shall promptly notify the victim or the victim's designated representative of the decision of the Commission regarding parole for the inmate convicted of the violent crime.

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Each hearing examiner and Commission member determining if an inmate is suitable for release on parole shall consider:

- (1) The circumstances surrounding the crime;
- (2) The physical, mental, and moral qualification of the inmate eligible for parole;
- (3) The progress of the inmate during his confinement, including the academic progress of the inmate in the mandatory education program required in § 22-102 of the Education Article;
- (4) Whether or not there is reasonable probability that the inmate, if released on parole, will remain at liberty without violating the law;
- (5) Whether or not release on parole of the inmate is compatible with the welfare of society;
- (6) An updated victim impact statement or recommendation prepared under § 4-504(d) of this subtitle;