

admit an out of court statement by a child; limiting the number of attorneys that may question the child in a criminal, juvenile delinquency, or child in need of assistance case; ~~authorizing a victim who files a notification request form and a State's Attorney to file a leave to appeal an order that denies or fails to consider certain victims' rights; expanding the rights from which the appeal may be filed to include the right to address a jury in a death penalty sentencing and the right to prepare a victim impact statement; prohibiting the stay of a sentencing or disposition hearing when an appeal is filed under this Act; authorizing the court, under certain terms, to stay certain proceedings from which an appeal has been filed; specifying the parties to a leave to appeal filed under this Act; establishing the circumstances under which a victim or a victim's representative may address the judge before the imposition of a sentence or disposition; establishing the right of a victim's representative, subject to certain conditions, to address the jury in a death penalty sentencing; requiring a victim impact statement to identify certain information relating to contact between the defendant and the victim; expanding the requirement that a victim be notified of certain postsentencing proceedings to include victims of certain crimes who suffer direct or threatened physical, emotional, or financial harm as a direct result of a crime or delinquent act; requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to notify certain victims of violent crime if the defendant or inmate has been found guilty of violating a condition of parole or mandatory supervision or if a warrant or subpoena is issued for the defendant or inmate; transferring from the Maryland Parole Commission to the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services the responsibility of receiving and sending certain notices; altering a certain time period for providing a certain notice; requiring a commitment agency, under certain circumstances, to notify the victim of certain information and events concerning the defendant; prohibiting a commitment agency from disclosing to a defendant certain information regarding the victim; ~~prohibiting a law enforcement agency from charging a victim for a copy of an incident report in a domestic violence case when a law enforcement officer responds to a request for assistance;~~ requiring the written notice given to a victim by a law enforcement officer who responds to a request for assistance in a domestic violence case to inform the victim of the right to obtain a copy of the incident report; altering the circumstances under which compliance with a judgment of restitution shall be required; eliminating a certain time period for holding certain restitution hearings; providing the Department of Juvenile Justice with certain responsibilities concerning certain restitution judgements; requiring all moneys collected from a judgment of restitution to be treated as abandoned property if a victim cannot be located; requiring a delinquent restitution account to be referred to the Central Collection Unit if the probation or other supervision is terminated and restitution is still owed; expanding the availability of benefits from the Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund to victims who suffer psychological injury as a direct result of a crime felony or physical injury or death directly resulting from a crime; ~~altering the standard of judgment certain claimants are required to prove in order to recover from the Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund;~~ expanding the right to request HIV testing of offenders to include a law enforcement officer who was certain persons who were performing official duties at the time of suspected exposure; expanding the means by which a person may be considered to be exposed to HIV; authorizing a victim who receives notification of the results of an HIV test~~