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(a) This section applies to a victim who has made a written request to the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services for notification or filed a notification request form under § 770 of this article.

(b) (1) If a parole release hearing is scheduled for a person who has been convicted and sentenced [to the Division of Correction] for a crime, the victim has the rights provided under Article 41, § 4-504(d) of the Code.

(2) At a parole release hearing, a victim has the rights provided under Article 41, § 4-507(c) and (d) of the Code.

(d) (1) If a person who is sentenced [to the Division of Correction] is being considered for a commutation, pardon, or remission of sentence, the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services shall notify the victim as provided under Article 41, § 4-511A(b)(1), (4), (5), and (6) of the Code.

(2) In addition to the right of notification referred to in paragraph (1) of this subsection, if the person described in paragraph (1) of this subsection was convicted of a violent crime, a victim has the rights regarding submission and consideration of a victim impact statement provided under Article 41, § 4-511A(b)(2) and (3) of the Code.

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(d) (1) In this subsection, "victim" means ~~a~~:

(I) A person who suffers personal physical injury, ~~CHILD ABUSE~~, or death as a direct result of a crime ~~or, if~~

(II) A VICTIM OF CHILD ABUSE UNDER ARTICLE 27, § 35C OF THE CODE;

(III) A VICTIM OF A VIOLENT CRIME; OR

(IV) IF the victim is deceased ~~OR~~, DISABLED, OR A MINOR, a designated family member OR DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE of the victim.

(2) (i) ~~In cases where a defendant is sentenced to the Division of Correction, if~~ IF the victim filed a notification request form under Article 27, § 770 of the Code or if the victim makes a written request to the Department for notification and maintains a current address on file with the Department, the Department, 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) If the inmate was convicted of a violent crime: