

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number	15-4156/1	Introduction Number	AB-0652	Estimate Type	Original
Description Providing to a victim notification when an offender's extended supervision or parole is revoked					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under current law, a victim of a crime has the right, upon request, to be notified of certain events, such as when an inmate who committed the crime becomes eligible for parole.

This bill would give a victim of a crime for which the offender was sentenced to prison the right, upon request, to be notified by the Department of Corrections (DOC) if the offender's release to parole or extended supervision is revoked. The DOC is also required to design and make available cards for a victim to send to the DOC to request notification. If a victim requests such notification, the DOC is required to make a reasonable attempt to send the notice to the last-known address of the victim, postmarked not more than 10 days after the revocation.

The DOC currently offers a victim of a crime the option of enrolling for notification by the Department if the supervision of an offender who committed the crime is revoked. Therefore, this bill's provisions giving a victim the right to receive such notification would not have a fiscal effect on the DOC. Because the DOC already provides forms for victim enrollment in notification services, the Department does not anticipate that compliance with the request card provisions of this bill would add any significant cost to the Department.

This bill requires the DOC to make a reasonable attempt to send the notice postmarked not more than 10 days after revocation. The DOC generally mails revocation notifications to victims within this timeframe, but occasionally notifications are sent out later than 10 days after revocation. Additional expenditures may be required to ensure that all revocation notifications are mailed within this timeframe.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications