



State of Wisconsin
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2025 SENATE BILL 372

July 16, 2025 - Introduced by Senators JAMES, WANGGAARD, PFAFF and MARKLEIN, cosponsored by Representatives MAXEY, STEFFEN, ALLEN, DITTRICH, DONOVAN, GUNDRUM, B. JACOBSON, JOHNSON, KAUFERT, KREIBICH, MELOTIK, MURPHY, MURSAU, O'CONNOR, PIWOWARCZYK and RODRIGUEZ. Referred to Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

1 **AN ACT** *to amend* 302.113 (9g) (g) 3., 302.114 (6) (e) and 973.09 (3m) (c); *to*
2 **create** 950.06 (1m) (dg) of the statutes; **relating to:** crime victim notification
3 cards.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, when a person is convicted of a crime, the clerk of the court for the county in which the person was convicted and sentenced must provide to the crime victim a notification card that the victim may fill out to request notifications regarding future court proceedings involving the criminal defendant.

This bill provides that, if the county in which the criminal defendant is convicted and sentenced has a victim and witness office, that the victim and witness office must provide the notification cards to the crime victim rather than the clerk of the court.

For further information see the state and local fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

4 **SECTION 1.** 302.113 (9g) (g) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:

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1 302.113 **(9g)** (g) 3. The director of state courts shall design and prepare cards
2 for a victim to send to the clerk of the circuit court for the county in which the
3 inmate was convicted and sentenced. The cards shall have space for a victim to
4 provide his or her name and address, the name of the applicable inmate, and any
5 other information that the director of state courts determines is necessary. The
6 director of state courts shall provide the cards, without charge, to clerks of circuit
7 court and to county victim and witness offices, as defined in s. 950.02 (4m). Clerks
8 of circuit court or, if the county has a victim and witness office, as defined in s.
9 950.02 (4m), the county victim and witness office, shall provide the cards, without
10 charge, to victims. Victims may send completed cards to the clerk of the circuit
11 court for the county in which the inmate was convicted and sentenced. All court
12 records or portions of records that relate to mailing addresses of victims are not
13 subject to inspection or copying under s. 19.35 (1).

14 **SECTION 2.** 302.114 (6) (e) of the statutes is amended to read:

15 302.114 **(6)** (e) The director of state courts shall design and prepare cards for
16 a victim to send to the clerk of the circuit court in which the inmate is convicted and
17 sentenced. The cards shall have space for a victim to provide his or her name and
18 address, the name of the applicable inmate and any other information the director
19 of state courts determines is necessary. The director of state courts shall provide
20 the cards, without charge, to clerks of circuit court and to county victim and witness
21 offices, as defined in s. 950.02 (4m). Clerks of circuit court or, if the county has a
22 victim and witness office, as defined in s. 950.02 (4m), the county victim and
23 witness office, shall provide the cards, without charge, to victims. Victims may
24 send completed cards to the clerk of the circuit court in which the inmate was

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1 convicted and sentenced. All court records or portions of records that relate to
2 mailing addresses of victims are not subject to inspection or copying under s. 19.35
3 (1).

4 **SECTION 3.** 950.06 (1m) (dg) of the statutes is created to read:

5 950.06 **(1m)** (dg) Information pertaining to victim notifications for court
6 proceedings that relate to modification of a criminal defendant's sentence or period
7 of probation, including providing and assistance completing victim notification
8 cards, as required under s. 302.113 (9g) (g) 3., 302.114 (6) (e), or 973.09 (3m) (c).

9 **SECTION 4.** 973.09 (3m) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

10 973.09 **(3m)** (c) The director of state courts shall design and prepare cards for
11 a victim to send to the clerk of the circuit court for the county in which the
12 probationer was convicted and sentenced. The cards shall have space for a victim to
13 provide his or her name and address, the name of the applicable probationer, and
14 any other information that the director of state courts determines is necessary. The
15 director of state courts shall provide the cards, without charge, to clerks of circuit
16 court and to county victim and witness offices, as defined in s. 950.02 (4m). Clerks
17 of circuit court or, if the county has a victim and witness office, as defined in s.
18 950.02 (4m), the county victim and witness office, shall provide the cards, without
19 charge, to victims. Victims may send completed cards to the clerk of the circuit
20 court for the county in which the probationer was convicted and sentenced. All
21 court records or portions of records that relate to mailing addresses of victims are
22 not subject to inspection or copying under s. 19.35 (1).

23 **(END)**