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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 4266

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 4266 on page 1, by
3 inserting immediately below line 3 the following:

4 "Section 3. The Rights of Crime Victims and Witnesses Act
5 is amended by changing Section 8.5 as follows:

6 (725 ILCS 120/8.5)

7 Sec. 8.5. Statewide victim and witness notification
8 system.

9 (a) The Attorney General may establish a crime victim and
10 witness notification system to assist public officials in
11 carrying out their duties to notify and inform crime victims
12 and witnesses under Section 4.5 of this Act or under
13 subsections (a), (a-2), and (a-3) of Section 120 of the Sex
14 Offender Community Notification Law as the Attorney General
15 specifies by rule. The system shall download necessary
16 information from participating officials into its computers,

1 where it shall be maintained, updated, and automatically
2 transmitted to victims and witnesses by telephone, computer, or
3 written notice.

4 (b) The Illinois Department of Corrections, the Department
5 of Juvenile Justice, the Department of Human Services, and the
6 Prisoner Review Board shall cooperate with the Attorney General
7 in the implementation of this Section and shall provide
8 information as necessary to the effective operation of the
9 system.

10 (c) State's attorneys, circuit court clerks, and local law
11 enforcement and correctional authorities may enter into
12 agreements with the Attorney General for participation in the
13 system. The Attorney General may provide those who elect to
14 participate with the equipment, software, or training
15 necessary to bring their offices into the system.

16 (d) The provision of information to crime victims and
17 witnesses through the Attorney General's notification system
18 satisfies a given State or local official's corresponding
19 obligation to provide the information.

20 (e) The Attorney General may provide for telephonic,
21 electronic, or other public access to the database established
22 under this Section.

23 (f) The Attorney General shall adopt rules as necessary to
24 implement this Section. The rules shall include, but not be
25 limited to, provisions for the scope and operation of any
26 system the Attorney General may establish and procedures,

1 requirements, and standards for entering into agreements to
2 participate in the system and to receive equipment, software,
3 or training.

4 (g) There is established in the Office of the Attorney
5 General a Crime Victim and Witness Notification Advisory
6 Committee consisting of those victims advocates, sheriffs,
7 State's Attorneys, circuit court clerks, Illinois Department
8 of Corrections, the Department of Juvenile Justice, and
9 Prisoner Review Board employees that the Attorney General
10 chooses to appoint. The Attorney General shall designate one
11 member to chair the Committee.

12 (1) The Committee shall consult with and advise the
13 Attorney General as to the exercise of the Attorney
14 General's authority under this Section, including, but not
15 limited to:

16 (i) the design, scope, and operation of the
17 notification system;

18 (ii) the content of any rules adopted to implement
19 this Section;

20 (iii) the procurement of hardware, software, and
21 support for the system, including choice of supplier or
22 operator; and

23 (iv) the acceptance of agreements with and the
24 award of equipment, software, or training to officials
25 that seek to participate in the system.

26 (2) The Committee shall review the status and operation

1 of the system and report any findings and recommendations
2 for changes to the Attorney General and the General
3 Assembly by November 1 of each year.

4 (3) The members of the Committee shall receive no
5 compensation for their services as members of the
6 Committee, but may be reimbursed for their actual expenses
7 incurred in serving on the Committee.

8 (h) The Attorney General shall not release the names,
9 addresses, phone numbers, personal identification numbers, or
10 email addresses of any person registered to receive
11 notifications to any other person except State or local
12 officials using the notification system to satisfy the
13 official's obligation to provide the information. The Attorney
14 General may grant limited access to the Automated Victim
15 Notification system (AVN) to law enforcement, prosecution, and
16 other agencies that provide service to victims of violent crime
17 to assist victims in enrolling and utilizing the AVN system.

18 (Source: P.A. 96-1092, eff. 1-1-11.)".