

## 99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2015 and 2016 SB1813

Introduced 2/20/2015, by Sen. Iris Y. Martinez

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

775 ILCS 40/35

Amends the Illinois Torture Inquiry and Relief Commission Act. Provides that the powers and duties of the Illinois Torture Inquiry and Relief Commission include conducting inquiries into claims of torture (rather than "inquiries into claims of torture, with priority to be given to those cases in which the convicted person is currently incarcerated solely for the crime to which he or she claims torture by Jon Burge or officers under his command, or both").

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1 AN ACT concerning human rights.

## Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Illinois Torture Inquiry and Relief
  Commission Act is amended by changing Section 35 as follows:
- 6 (775 ILCS 40/35)

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- Sec. 35. Duties. The Commission shall have the following duties and powers:
- 9 (1) To establish the criteria and screening process to
  10 be used to determine which cases shall be accepted for
  11 review.
  - (2) To conduct inquiries into claims of torture with priority to be given to those cases in which the convicted person is currently incarcerated solely for the crime to which he or she claims torture by Jon Burge or officers under his command, or both.
  - (3) To coordinate the investigation of cases accepted for review.
    - (4) To maintain records for all case investigations.
    - (5) To prepare written reports outlining Commission investigations and recommendations to the trial court at the completion of each inquiry.
- 23 (6) To apply for and accept any funds that may become

- 1 available for the Commission's work from government
- grants, private gifts, donations, or bequests from any
- 3 source.
- 4 (Source: P.A. 96-223, eff. 8-10-09.)