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2025 ASSEMBLY BILL 370

July 17, 2025 - Introduced by Representatives Maxey, Steffen, Allen, Dittrich, Donovan, Gundrum, B. Jacobson, Johnson, Kaufert, Kreibich, Melotik, Murphy, Mursau, O'Connor, Piwowarczyk and Rodriguez, cosponsored by Senators James, Wanggaard, Pfaff and Marklein. Referred to Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety.

- 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
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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:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

23 (END)