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TITLE: CONCERNING DEFENDANT'S STATEMENTS AT A COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

HEARING.

Summary of Legislation

Current law permits a victim to submit a written victim impact statement to a community corrections board that is considering an offender's referral to a community corrections facility. Victims are also allowed to make a separate oral statement to the board at the hearing. This bill addresses statements from the offender. The board may choose to allow an offender to provide a written statement concerning his or her referral or have another person give an oral statement on the offender's behalf. The bill takes effect August 11, 2010, if the General Assembly adjourns on May 12, 2010, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed.

Assessment

This bill is assessed as having no fiscal impact. It simply provides local community corrections boards with formal discretion that they, presumably, already have. It will not change the way the boards conduct business.

Departments Contacted

Judicial Public Safety