HOUSE BILL NO. HB0086

Victim notification by board of parole.

Sponsored by: Joint Judiciary Interim Committee

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for

- AN ACT relating to victim notification; amending the requirement that the department of corrections notify the victim when an inmate is to be paroled; requiring the board of parole to provide victim notification when specified events are scheduled to occur, or have occurred; amending
- 6 information that is to be provided as specified; and
- 7 providing for an effective date.

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9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

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- 11 **Section 1.** W.S. 1-40-204(c)(ii), (v), by creating a
- 12 new subsection (d), by renumbering (d) and (e) as (e) and
- 13 (f) and by amending and renumbering (f) as (g) is amended
- 14 to read:

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- 16 1-40-204. Rights of victims and witnesses to be
- 17 informed during the criminal justice process.

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(c) Victims, key witnesses, offices of prosecutors, 2 3 victim witness coordinators and advocates who have 4 participated in the criminal prosecution shall be offered 5 the opportunity to be informed in writing by the department 6 of corrections about: 7 (ii) The earliest date upon which the offender 8 9 could be released and the date released; 10 11 (v) Any decision to grant or modify parole and any conditions imposed change in location of the offender's 12 13 parole supervision; 14 15 (d) Victims, key witnesses, offices of prosecutors, 16 victim witness coordinators and advocates who have 17 participated in the criminal prosecution shall be offered the opportunity to be informed in writing by the board of 18 19 parole about: 20 21 (i) Any decision to grant or modify parole and 22 any conditions imposed;

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1	(ii) Any pending revocation of parole, any
2	associated return to custody, the revocation hearing date
3	and disposition of revocation proceedings;
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5	(iii) Any absconscion from supervision and
6	subsequent apprehension;
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8	(iv) Any rescission of parole;
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10	(v) Discharge from parole.
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12	(d) (e) The governor's office shall ensure that the
13	appropriate government agency shall notify in writing, or
14	in person, victims, key witnesses, prosecutors, victim
15	witness coordinators and advocates who have participated in
16	the criminal prosecution of an application for a pardon or
17	the pending commutation of the offender.
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19	(e) (f) Victims, key witnesses, prosecutors, victim
20	witness coordinators and advocates who have participated in
21	the criminal prosecution who wish to receive notification
22	and information shall provide the appropriate criminal
23	justice agencies with their current address and telephone

3 HB0086 1 number. This address will only be used for notification
2 purposes.

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4 $\frac{\text{(f)}(g)}{\text{(g)}}$ Nothing in subsections (c) $\frac{\text{and}(d)}{\text{through}(e)}$

5 of this section shall mean the victim, key witnesses,

6 prosecutors, victim witness coordinators or advocates who

7 have participated in the criminal prosecution shall be

8 given information that could jeopardize the safety or

9 security of any person.

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11 Section 2 This act is effective immediately upon

12 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law

13 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming

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14 Constitution.

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16 (END)

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