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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. SCARCELLA-SPANTON -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to certain contact information provided to crime victims

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision 1, paragraph (g) of subdivision 2 and paragraph (b) of subdivision 3 of section 646-a of the executive law, as amended by a chapter of the laws of 2024 amending the executive law relating to certain notifications and the rights of crime victims, as proposed in legislative bills numbers S. 5502 and A. 4199, are amended to read as follows:

1. The district attorney [~~or the court~~] shall provide the victim, parent or guardian of a minor, or a surviving family member in the case of homicide, at the time of sentencing or at the earliest time possible, with an informational pamphlet detailing the rights of crime victims which shall be prepared by the division of criminal justice services in consultation with the director of the office of victim services and the office of victim assistance, and distributed to each district attorney's office.

(g) the rights of crime victims to be aware of the defendant's incarceration status by providing the [~~state board of parole's~~] **department of corrections and community supervision's** contact information, including the [~~board's~~] **office of victim assistance's** toll-free telephone number, as provided for in subdivision two of section two hundred fifty-nine-i of this chapter. Such notice shall advise the crime victim to use the [~~board's~~] **office of victim assistance's** toll-free telephone number to update contact information;

(b) the address and phone number of the **department of corrections and community supervision's** office of victim assistance;

EXPLANATION--Matter in *italics* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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§ 2. This act shall take effect on the same date and in the same manner as a chapter of the laws of 2024 amending the executive law relating to certain notifications and the rights of crime victims, as proposed in legislative bills numbers S. 5502 and A. 4199, takes effect.