CONCURRENCE IN SENATE AMENDMENTS AB 547 (McCarty) As Amended June 2, 2022 Majority vote

#### **SUMMARY**

Provides that a county probation department shall, upon request, notify a victim of domestic violence or stalking, of the perpetrator's community of residence when the perpetrator is placed on, or being released on, probation.

#### **Senate Amendments**

Require notification to the victim of the perpetrator's community of residence, rather than current address.

### **COMMENTS**

As Passed by the Assembly, this bill:

- Provides that a county probation department shall notify a victim of domestic violence or stalking, of the perpetrators current address, or proposed address, after conviction, is placed on or being released on probation, after conviction, under the supervision of the adult probation department.
- 2) Provides that the above notification requirement shall only apply if the victim has requested notification and has provided the probation department with a current address at which they may be notified.
- 3) Requires the district attorney to advise the above victims of their right to request and receive notification, as specified.

#### According to the Author

"Nearly one in every three people in California have experience domestic violence at some point in their lifetime. For many, the story does not end when their abuser is arrested. More than half of the women who survive domestic violence live in fear for their safety. Tragically, these fears are often well-founded. As many as half of female victims of domestic violence report experiencing further incidents of violence or stalking by their abuser within one year.

"California must do more to protect victims of domestic violence. This bill will ensure that victims have the right to be notified of the probation address of their abuser and if necessary take further action to protect themselves from further abuse."

# **Arguments in Support**

According to *Work Equity*, "AB 547 would help protect victims of domestic violence and prevent further abuse by expanding notification rights for victims of domestic violence to include notification of their perpetrators proposed address when released on probation. By notifying the domestic violence of their perpetrator's location, this bill gives victims important information that may impact their safety and risk of continued violence, harassment, or stalking by their abuser."

## **Arguments in Opposition**

None

#### FISCAL COMMENTS

According to the Senate Appropriations Committee, potentially ongoing reimbursable costs across all 58 counties for additional staff and infrastructure for county probation departments to notify victims of domestic violence, stalking or abuse of a perpetrator' address when the perpetrator is placed on probation. (Locals Funds, General Fund). Actual costs will depend on the number of victims that request information. Impact to the General Fund will depend on whether the duties imposed by this bill constitute a reimbursable state mandate, as determined by the Commission on State Mandates.

### **VOTES:**

#### **ASM PUBLIC SAFETY: 8-0-0**

YES: Jones-Sawyer, Lackey, Bauer-Kahan, Lee, Quirk, Santiago, Seyarto, Wicks

#### **ASM APPROPRIATIONS: 16-0-0**

**YES:** Lorena Gonzalez, Bigelow, Calderon, Carrillo, Chau, Megan Dahle, Davies, Fong, Gabriel, Eduardo Garcia, Levine, Quirk, Robert Rivas, Akilah Weber, Holden, Luz Rivas

## **ASSEMBLY FLOOR: 66-0-10**

YES: Aguiar-Curry, Arambula, Bauer-Kahan, Bennett, Berman, Bloom, Boerner Horvath, Mia Bonta, Bryan, Burke, Calderon, Carrillo, Choi, Cooley, Cooper, Daly, Davies, Flora, Fong, Gabriel, Gallagher, Cristina Garcia, Eduardo Garcia, Gipson, Gray, Grayson, Irwin, Jones-Sawyer, Kalra, Kiley, Lackey, Lee, Levine, Low, Maienschein, Mathis, McCarty, Medina, Mullin, Muratsuchi, Nazarian, Nguyen, O'Donnell, Patterson, Petrie-Norris, Quirk, Quirk-Silva, Ramos, Reyes, Luz Rivas, Robert Rivas, Rodriguez, Blanca Rubio, Salas, Seyarto, Smith, Stone, Ting, Valladares, Villapudua, Waldron, Ward, Akilah Weber, Wicks, Wood, Rendon ABS, ABST OR NV: Bigelow, Cervantes, Chen, Cunningham, Megan Dahle, Friedman, Holden, Mayes, Santiago, Voepel

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