

**Subject** Authorizing inclusion of disability impact statements in presentence investigation reports

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### Overview

When individuals are sentenced for felony offenses, the judge typically orders the preparation of a presentence investigation report. The report provides the judge with information about the individual who will be sentenced. This bill permits the judge to request a disability impact statement to assess what impact a sentence will have on the person's disability.

### Summary

Section	Description
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<b>1</b>	<b>Disability impact statement.</b>
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	Directs judges to inquire whether a defendant who has been convicted of a crime has a disability as defined in the Americans with Disability Act of 1990. Permits the court to request that a disability impact statement be included in a presentence investigation report prepared in cases where a defendant may be sentenced to imprisonment. Indicates that the statement should address the impact of a sentence on the person's disability. Requires the court to consider the statement if ordered and directs the court to consider the least restrictive environment that would meet the state's penal objective.
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