



General Assembly

**Amendment**

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Offered by:  
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To: House Bill No. 6012

File No. 40

Cal. No. 79

**"AN ACT CONCERNING MURDER WITH SPECIAL  
CIRCUMSTANCES."**

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the  
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. Section 53a-46d of the general statutes is repealed and the  
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

5 [A] If a defendant is convicted of or pleads guilty to a capital felony,  
6 a victim impact statement prepared with the assistance of a victim  
7 advocate [to] shall be placed in the court files. [in accordance with  
8 subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 54-220 may be read in court  
9 prior to imposition of sentence upon a defendant found guilty of a  
10 crime punishable by death.] At the conclusion of the presentation of  
11 evidence and prior to closing arguments at a hearing conducted  
12 pursuant to section 53a-46a, the court shall allow a representative of  
13 each deceased victim a reasonable opportunity to make a victim  
14 impact statement to the jury or, if there is no jury, to the court. Such  
15 representative shall be an individual who is a "crime victim", as

16 defined in section 1-1k."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	53a-46d