

## Favorable with Amendments SB391 Criminal Procedure – Victims of Sexually Assaultive Behavior

Families Advocating Intelligent Registries (FAIR) seeks rational, constitutional sexual offense laws and policies for persons accused and convicted of sexual offenses.

We have concerns with the use of the word, "victim," in this bill, when in reality no decision of the court has been made against the alleged suspect. In this situation, there is no defendant and thus, there is no confirmed victim of a crime. Using the word "victim" assumes the alleged suspect is already guilty of a crime.

Furthermore, the bill states, "generally relating to victims' rights," but really it should be within anyone's rights to further pursue clarification on why charges were dismissed or not filed. The accused person should have the option to ask why charges are being dismissed, as well.

FAIR strongly recommends changing the word "victim" to "accuser" in this bill and to expand the ability to request clarification to include both the accused and the accuser.

Sincerely,

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FAIR does not in any way condone sexual activity between adults and children, nor does it condone any sexual activity that would break laws in any state. We do not advocate lowering the age of consent, and we have no affiliation with any group that does condone such activities.