

SENATE No. 1714

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Nine

An Act relative to sending notice of criminal justice proceedings to victims ..

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Section 1. Section 3 of Chapter 258B of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following new subsection after subsection (b)
3 and renumbering the remainder of the subsections: -

4 (c) for victims, to be notified by the prosecutor, in a timely manner, of all court
5 proceedings related to the offense committed against the victim, by certified mail sent to the last
6 known address of the victim as well as by a telephone call. In order to properly notify victims, a
7 form shall be provided to them by the prosecutor for the purpose of maintaining a current
8 telephone number and address. The victim or witness shall thereafter maintain with the
9 prosecutor a current telephone number and address;