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Brief Description: Clarifying victims' rights regarding plea agreements.

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Declares that victims or their representatives have the right to be notified of any potential plea agreement and to express their views on any proposed plea agreements prior to a plea agreement being reached between the prosecutor and the defendant. The prosecutor shall consider the views of the victim or the victim's representative in deciding whether to negotiate or conclude a plea agreement with a defendant.

Provides that victims or their representatives have the right to be notified when a plea agreement is to be presented to the court and to express their views on the plea agreement to the court prior to the court accepting or rejecting the plea agreement. The court shall consider the views of the victim or the victim's representative in deciding whether to accept or reject the negotiated plea agreement.