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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to victim assistance; amending
s. 960.001, F.S.; providing that the victim of
a crime and the state attorney, upon the
victim's consent, have standing to assert the
rights of the victim; providing an effective
date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Present subsections (7) and (8) of section
960.001, Florida Statutes, 1998 Supplement, are redesignated
as subsections (8) and (9), respectively, and a new subsection
(7) is added to that section, to read:

960.001 Guidelines for fair treatment of victims and
witnesses in the criminal justice and juvenile justice
systems.--

(7) The victim of a crime and the state attorney, with
the consent of the victim, have standing to assert the rights
of a crime victim which are provided by law or s. 16(b) of
Art. I of the State Constitution.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
law.

SENATE SUMMARY

Provides that the victim of a crime and the state
attorney, with the victim's consent, have standing to
assert statutory and constitutional rights of the victim.