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Ohio Revised Code

Section 2930.041 Victim right to interpreter. Effective: April 6, 2023

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(A) Pursuant to the "Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990," 104 Stat. 327, 42 U.S.C. 12101, as amended, a victim with a disability has the right to a qualified or certified interpreter at all court proceedings, all meetings with the prosecutor, and all investigative contacts with law enforcement, the probation department, the department of rehabilitation and correction, and the department of youth services, at no cost to the victim and paid for by the court.

(B) A victim who is non-English speaking or has limited English proficiency has the right to a qualified or certified interpreter at all court proceedings, all meetings with the prosecutor, and all investigative contacts with law enforcement, the probation department, the department of rehabilitation and correction, and the department of youth services, at no cost to the victim and paid for by the court.

(C) The victim's right to a qualified or certified interpreter under division (B) of this section is subject to availability but is not subject to the cost of retaining a qualified or certified interpreter. Any agency described in division (B) of this section that is unable to provide a victim with a qualified or certified interpreter as required by division (B) of this section shall maintain records of the agency's attempt to comply with this requirement.

(D) As used in this section, "qualified interpreter" has the same meaning as in the "Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990," 42 U.S.C. 12101, as amended.