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"Justice for Victims Act" Set for Tuesday Hearing; Press Conference Following

SACRAMENTO – On Tuesday, April 12th at 9am, the Senate Public Safety Committee will consider SB 813 (Justice for Victims Act) authored by Senator Connie M. Leyva (D-Chino) in Room 3191 at the State Capitol.

Immediately following the SB 813 committee hearing, Senator Leyva and other bill supporters will hold a press conference to discuss the outcome of the hearing and next steps.

WHO: Senator Connie M. Leyva, SB 813 Author

Assemblymember Mike A. Gipson, SB 813 Principal Coauthor

San Bernardino County District Attorney Michael A. Ramos, SB 813 Cosponsor California Women's Law Center Executive Director Betsy Butler, SB 813 Cosponsor Gloria Allred, Women's Rights Attorney and Partner with Allred, Maroko & Goldberg

"Kacey", Alleged Sexual Assault Victim

WHAT: SB 813 Press Conference

WHERE: Room 317, State Capitol, Sacramento

WHEN: Tuesday, April 12th (Immediately following Senate Public Safety Committee hearing)

SB 813 is currently scheduled to be the first bill considered in the Senate Public Safety Committee on April 12th, so the press conference should begin at approximately 9:30am.

This bipartisan legislation seeks to end of statute of limitations for rape and related crimes in California. Existing California law generally limits the prosecution of a felony sexual offense to only 10 years after the offense is committed, unless DNA evidence is found which then offers a victim additional time.