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1 (3) As used in this section, a "crime victim" means any person directly
2 harmed by the commission of a felony, or a misdemeanor involving physical in-
3 jury, threatened physical injury or a sexual offense, or a person against
4 whom such an offense is committed and may be further expanded in law.

5 (4) Nothing in this section is intended to or shall be interpreted to
6 supersede an accused's federal constitutional rights, nor to afford a crime
7 victim an independent right to be heard as a party during trial.

8 (5) Nothing in this section shall be construed to authorize a court to
9 dismiss a case, to set aside or void a finding of guilt or an acceptance of
10 a plea of guilty, or to afford a convicted person appellate, habeas corpus,
11 or other relief from any criminal judgment; nor be construed as creating a
12 cause of action for money damages, costs or attorney fees against the state,
13 a county, a municipality, any agency, instrumentality or person; nor be
14 construed as limiting any rights for crime victims previously conferred by
15 statute.

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1 CRIME VICTIMS - Adds to existing law to provide that crime victims shall have
2 certain protections.