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Idaho Manual on the Rights of Victims of Crime ^[1]

For too many years, the criminal justice system ignored the rights of crime victims. In Idaho, that changed with the overwhelming voter ratification of the Victims Rights Amendment to the Idaho Constitution in November 1994.

The amendment is found in article I, Section 22 of the Idaho Constitution. Article I of the Idaho Constitution is entitled, "The Declaration of Rights." It enshrines the rights Idahoans treasure the most. These rights include the right of free speech, the right of assembly, the right to a trial by jury, the right to keep and bear arms and, now, the rights of crime victims.

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