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Bill Analysis

SB 1488 directs each district attorney to disclose to the defendant an itemized list of all restitution, fines, costs, fees, and assessments owed or to be owed by the defendant prior to sentencing. District attorneys must reflect the ability of the defendant to pay the amounts contained in the itemized list in cases resolved by plea agreement.

Additionally, the court shall be required to conduct a hearing at the time of sentencing or a final order to determine the defendant's ability to pay as well as inform the defendant of his or her right to appear again before the court to present evidence regarding ability to pay the amount due. The measure prohibits a defendant from being incarcerated for being in default, unless the defendant is also found to be in contempt of court or the defendant is able, but unwilling to, pay. The measure outlines the consideration the court must take when considering willingness and ability to pay.

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