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**S.F. No. 611 – Presentence Investigation Reports to Include Information Related to Brain Injury**

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The bill provides that when a defendant appears in court and is convicted of a crime, the court shall inquire whether the defendant has a history of stroke or traumatic brain injury.

If so, and the court believes the defendant may have a mental impairment relevant to the crime, the court may order that the offender undergo a neuropsychological exam, and that the results of the exam and any information regarding treatment and case management options be presented to the court.

At sentencing, the court may consider any relevant information including but not limited to the results of the exam and recommendations of medical and mental health professionals to determine whether the offender lacked substantial capacity for judgment when the offense was committed.