

1-1 By: Lucio S.B. No. 456
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed January 26, 2021; March 9, 2021, read
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Veteran Affairs & Border
1-4 Security; April 12, 2021, reported adversely, with favorable
1-5 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0;
1-6 April 12, 2021, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-9	Campbell	X		
1-10	Hall	X		
1-11	Blanco	X		
1-12	Eckhardt	X		
1-13	Gutierrez	X		
1-14	Seliger	X		
1-15	Taylor	X		

1-16 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 456 By: Campbell

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the donation of juror reimbursements.
1-20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
1-21 SECTION 1. Sections 61.003(a) and (c), Government Code, are
1-22 amended to read as follows:
1-23 (a) Each person who reports for jury service shall be
1-24 personally provided a form letter that when signed by the person
1-25 directs the county treasurer to donate all, or a specific amount
1-26 designated by the person, of the person's daily reimbursement under
1-27 this chapter to:
1-28 (1) the compensation to victims of crime fund
1-29 established under Subchapter J, Chapter 56B, Code of Criminal
1-30 Procedure;
1-31 (2) the child welfare, child protective services, or
1-32 child services board of the county appointed under Section 264.005,
1-33 Family Code, that serves abused and neglected children;
1-34 (3) any program selected by the commissioners court
1-35 that is operated by a public or private nonprofit organization and
1-36 that provides shelter and services to victims of family violence;
1-37 (4) any other program approved by the commissioners
1-38 court of the county, including a program established under Article
1-39 56A.205, Code of Criminal Procedure, that offers psychological
1-40 counseling in criminal cases involving graphic evidence or
1-41 testimony; ~~or~~
1-42 (5) a veterans court program established by the
1-43 commissioners court as provided by Chapter 124; or
1-44 (6) a veterans county service office established by
1-45 the commissioners court as provided by Subchapter B, Chapter 434.
1-46 (c) The county treasurer shall:
1-47 (1) send all donations made under Subsection (a)(1) to
1-48 the comptroller, at the time and in the manner prescribed by the
1-49 attorney general, for deposit to the credit of the compensation to
1-50 victims of crime fund;
1-51 (2) deposit donations made to the county child welfare
1-52 board under Subsection (a)(2) in a fund established by the county to
1-53 be used by the child welfare board in a manner authorized by the
1-54 commissioners court of the county; and
1-55 (3) send all donations made under Subsection (a)(3),
1-56 ~~or~~ (a)(4), or (a)(6) directly to the program or office, as
1-57 applicable, specified on the form letter signed by the person who
1-58 reported for jury service.
1-59 SECTION 2. Section 434.032, Government Code, is amended by
1-60 adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

2-1 (c) The commissioners court of a county that maintains an
2-2 office:

2-3 (1) may not consider a juror's donation to the office
2-4 of the juror's daily reimbursement under Section 61.003 for
2-5 purposes of determining the county's budget for the office; and

2-6 (2) may use donations described by Subdivision (1)
2-7 only to supplement, rather than supplant, amounts budgeted by the
2-8 county for the office.

2-9 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

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