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By:  Collier H.B. No. 959

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to compensation under the Crime Victims' Compensation Act for certain lost wages.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1.  Article 56B.106(d), Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended to read as follows:

(d)  An immediate family member or household member of a deceased victim may not receive more than $5,000 [~~$1,000~~] in lost wages as a result of bereavement leave taken by the family or household member.

SECTION 2.  The change in law made by this Act applies only to compensation for criminally injurious conduct occurring on or after the effective date of this Act. Compensation for criminally injurious conduct occurring before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the conduct occurred, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For purposes of this section, criminally injurious conduct occurred before the effective date of this Act if any element of the offense underlying the conduct occurred before that date.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.