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# WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

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(By Senator on Finance)

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AN ACT finding and declaring certain claims for compensation of innocent victims of crimes occurring in West Virginia to be moral obligations of the state and directing the auditor to issue warrants for the payment thereof.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

### **COMPENSATION AWARDS TO VICTIMS OF CRIMES.**

#### **§1. Finding and declaring certain crime victims claims for compensation to be moral obligations of the state and directing payment thereof.**

1 The Legislature has duly considered the findings of fact  
2 and recommendations for awards reported to it by the court  
3 of claims in respect to the following named claimants who  
4 were innocent victims of crime within this state and entitled  
5 to compensation; and in respect to each of such named  
6 claimants the Legislature adopts those findings of fact as its  
7 own, hereby declares it to be the moral obligation of the  
8 state to pay each such claimant in the amount specified  
9 below, and directs the auditor to issue warrants for the  
10 payment thereof out of any fund appropriated and  
11 available for the purpose.

12        *Claims for crime victims compensation awards:*

13        (TO BE PAID FROM CRIME VICTIMS COMPENSATION FUND)

14	(1)	Barker, Ethel May .....	\$ 5,000.00
15	(2)	Buzzard, Kathy L. ....	\$ 10,000.00
16	(3)	Buzzard, Kathy L., as guardian of	
17		Amanda Jane Buzzard .....	\$ 10,000.00
18	(4)	Buzzard, Kathy L., as guardian of	
19		Tammy Louise Buzzard .....	\$ 10,000.00
20	(5)	Candler, Betty J., as guardian of	
21		Ian R. Candler .....	\$ 10,000.00
22	(6)	Cook, Charles W., Jr., as guardian of	
23		Charles Brian Belcher .....	\$ 10,000.00
24	(7)	Cook, Charles W., Jr., as guardian of	
25		Anthony Belcher .....	\$ 10,000.00
26	(8)	Gonzales, Leta J., as guardian of	
27		Tara Maria Gonzales .....	\$ 5,000.00
28	(9)	Harrah, Tracy R. ....	\$ 10,000.00
29	(10)	Harrah, Sherry Jane .....	\$ 10,000.00
30	(11)	Kaminski, Rebecca A. ....	\$ 5,000.00
31	(12)	Pearson, William J. ....	\$ 10,000.00
32	(13)	Pridemore, George W. ....	\$ 15,000.00
33	(14)	Pridemore, George W., as guardian of	
34		Sean Patrick Pridemore .....	\$ 10,000.00
35	(15)	Robinson, Nancy Viola, as guardian of	
36		Randolph Woods, II .....	\$ 10,000.00
37	(16)	Reckart, Robert E., Sr. ....	\$ 10,000.00
38	(17)	Reckart, Roxie L. ....	\$ 10,000.00
39	(18)	Reckart, Roxie L., as guardian of	
40		Robert E. Reckart, Jr. ....	\$ 10,000.00
41		TOTAL .....	\$170,000.00

42        The Legislature finds that the above moral obligations  
43        and the appropriations made in satisfaction thereof shall be  
44        the full compensation for all claimants herein.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

*Robert O. Wierman*

Chairman Senate Committee

*Bernard V. Kelly*

Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

In effect from passage.

*Todd C. Wulfsberg*

Clerk of the Senate

*Donald L. Kopp*

Clerk of the House of Delegates

*Sam Tomlinson*

President of the Senate

*W. H. Hall*

Speaker House of Delegates

The within *approved* this the *14th*  
day of *March* 1988.

*Andrew D. B. ...*

Governor

PRESENTED TO THE

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