

1-1 By: Coleman, Guillen, Fierro H.B. No. 2079
 1-2 (Senate Sponsor - Miles)
 1-3 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 26, 2019;
 1-4 April 29, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on
 1-5 Administration; May 3, 2019, reported favorably by the following
 1-6 vote: Yeas 4, Nays 0; May 3, 2019, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-10	X			
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1-12	X			
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1-14			X	
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1-16 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-17 AN ACT

1-18 relating to compensation under the Crime Victims' Compensation Act
 1-19 for certain expenses.

1-20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-21 SECTION 1. Article 56.42(d), Code of Criminal Procedure, is
 1-22 amended to read as follows:

1-23 (d) A ~~[victim who is a]~~ victim of stalking, family violence,
 1-24 or trafficking of persons, ~~[or]~~ a victim of sexual assault who is
 1-25 assaulted in the victim's place of residence, or a child who is a
 1-26 victim of a murder attempt in the child's place of residence may
 1-27 receive a onetime-only assistance payment in an amount not to
 1-28 exceed:

1-29 (1) \$2,000 to be used for relocation expenses,
 1-30 including expenses for rental deposit, utility connections,
 1-31 expenses relating to the moving of belongings, motor vehicle
 1-32 mileage expenses, and for out-of-state moves, transportation,
 1-33 lodging, and meals; and

1-34 (2) \$1,800 to be used for housing rental expenses.

1-35 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
 1-36 to a victim of a criminal offense committed on or after the
 1-37 effective date of this Act. A criminal offense committed before the
 1-38 effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the
 1-39 date the offense was committed, and the former law is continued in
 1-40 effect for that purpose. For purposes of this section, a criminal
 1-41 offense was committed before the effective date of this Act if any
 1-42 element of the offense occurred before that date.

1-43 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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