

1-1 By: Manuel, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Zaffirini) H.B. No. 3745
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 9, 2025;
 1-3 May 13, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on Finance;
 1-4 May 21, 2025, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 13,
 1-5 Nays 0; May 21, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-23 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-24 AN ACT

1-25 relating to crime victims' compensation.
 1-26 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
 1-27 SECTION 1. Article 56B.102, Code of Criminal Procedure, is
 1-28 amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (d) to
 1-29 read as follows:
 1-30 (a) ~~The [Before acting on an application for compensation~~
 1-31 ~~under this chapter, the]~~ attorney general may make an emergency
 1-32 award for anticipated pecuniary losses if it appears likely that:
 1-33 (1) a final award will be made; and
 1-34 (2) the claimant or victim will suffer undue hardship
 1-35 if immediate economic relief is not obtained.
 1-36 (d) The limitations on emergency awards described by
 1-37 Subsections (a)(1) and (c) do not apply to an application for
 1-38 compensation under this chapter:
 1-39 (1) made by a claimant in relation to a deceased
 1-40 victim; and
 1-41 (2) arising from criminally injurious conduct that
 1-42 resulted in a proclaimed state of emergency under Section 433.001,
 1-43 Government Code.
 1-44 SECTION 2. Article 56B.102, Code of Criminal Procedure, as
 1-45 amended by this Act, applies only to compensation for criminally
 1-46 injurious conduct occurring on or after the effective date of this
 1-47 Act. Compensation for criminally injurious conduct occurring
 1-48 before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in
 1-49 effect on the date the conduct occurred, and the former law is
 1-50 continued in effect for that purpose. For purposes of this section,
 1-51 criminally injurious conduct occurred before the effective date of
 1-52 this Act if any element of the offense underlying the conduct
 1-53 occurred before that date.
 1-54 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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