

HOUSE BILL 1152

By Wirgau

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 37, Chapter 1; Title 39 and Title 40, relative to victim restitution.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-35-304, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

() If a criminal or juvenile offender is ordered as part of the offender's sentence to pay restitution to a victim or victims of the offense or act, whether under this section, §§ 37-1-131, 39-11-118, 39-13-314, 40-20-116, 40-35-104, 40-38-102, or any other provision of law, and a periodic payment or installment plan is the method of repayment, the victim or victims shall receive no less than one-half (1/2) of each payment made by the offender regardless of the amount of court costs, litigation taxes, fees, fines, or other money the offender owes the state or county.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it and shall apply to all restitution orders or agreements in effect before or after the effective date of this act.