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HCR 3048

2007 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Bill/Resolution No. HCR 3048

House Judiciary Committee

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Hearing Date: 2/21/07

Recorder Job Number: 3532, 3539

Committee Clerk Signature

W. Penrose

Minutes:

Chairman DeKrey: We will open the hearing on HCR 3048.

Rep. Mary Ekstrom: Sponsor, explained the bill (see attached testimony).

Rep. Delmore: Are you mainly hearing from medical people or from constituents.

Rep. Mary Ekstrom: Bonnie Palacek is here to address that issue. She brought the matter to my attention initially and then in testimony, this fund is presently handled by the DOCR. If you remember a few years back, it was under Workforce Safety at that time. It was transferred to the DOCR and it's always been the poor stepchild. It has never adequately funded by the state. From what I'm hearing, there are some federal dollars, not as many as there used to be. But there are some more federal dollars that we can access.

Rep. Onstad: How are you using the funds, but I will wait to ask Bonnie Palacek.

Chairman DeKrey: Thank you. Further testimony in support.

Charles Placek, Program Manager, DOCR, Field Services Division: (see attached testimony).

Rep. Delmore: How much money could we match all the dollars that we would put in to state and federal funds. I know we have been coming up short. Would it match up dollar for dollar if we put in \$500,000.

Charles Placek: The match, I believe is 60%. It's two years down the line. So the dollar that you pay today, it matched two years from now. There is a regular formula that you go through. That is one area where we are leaving federal dollars on the table.

Rep. Onstad: Was the \$25,000 for crime event was that set back in 1995, along with the set dollar amount.

Charles Placek: I believe the \$25,000 was set in 1975 when the program was set up. We were one of the most liberal states in the Union as far as the \$25,000 limit. We've got other states that are lower and some that are higher. It is \$25,000 per crime event and then we've got a \$3,000 burial amount.

Rep. Onstad: Is this just for individuals or families participating in this fund, has that stayed the same, or increased every year.

Charles Placek: Prior to the DOOCR handling this matter, there was always left over funding. I believe we've done a good job in the DOC of notifying people that the fund exists, as a result the number of approved applications has gone up. I think we can all agree, also, that health care costs have gone up substantially since 1993. So it's a combination of increased applications coupled with increased costs. Along with that, we are seeing a lot more trauma to the head, so anytime you get trauma there, you get rather big medical bills.

Rep. Charging: What did Appropriations say about this money. If we pass this, it will kick it back to Appropriations again.

Charles Placek: It is my understanding that the Appropriations committee did allow for...

Rep. Ekstrom: There was a balance left in a fund, about \$584,000 sitting in a fund that they could not access for programs. What we did was transfer that amount over to the CVC fund to try and get this fund solvent this time through. It's a start, but we're still going to have a shortfall this biennium. I feel certain that we will be in a deficit position when we come back. I

am really hopeful that we can do something with this to make it whole for this biennium. So once the study is done, we will know where the funding stream is going to come from next time.

Chairman DeKrey: Thank you. Further testimony in support.

Amy Vorachek, Crime Victim Coordinator, DOCR, Field Services Division: (see attached testimony).

Chairman DeKrey: Thank you. Further testimony in support.

Bonnie Palacek, ND Council on Abused Women's Services/Coalition Against Sexual Assault in ND: (see attached testimony).

Chairman DeKrey: Thank you. Further testimony in support. Testimony in opposition. We will close the hearing.

(Reopened later in the same session)

Chairman DeKrey: What are the committee's wishes in regard to HCR 3048.

Rep. Onstad: I move a Do Pass.

Rep. Meyer: Second.

10 YES 0 NO 4 ABSENT DO PASS/CONSENT CALENDAR CARRIER: Rep. Meyer

Date: 2/21/07
Roll Call Vote #: 1

2007 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 3048

House JUDICIARY Committee

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Legislative Council Amendment Number _____

Action Taken Do Pass

Motion Made By Rep. Onstad Seconded By Rep. Meyer

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Chairman DeKrey	✓		Rep. Delmore		
Rep. Klemin	✓		Rep. Griffin	✓	
Rep. Boehning	✓		Rep. Meyer	✓	
Rep. Charging			Rep. Onstad	✓	
Rep. Dahl	✓		Rep. Wolf	✓	
Rep. Heller					
Rep. Kingsbury	✓				
Rep. Koppelman					
Rep. Kretschmar	✓				

Total (Yes) 10 No 0

Absent 4

Floor Assignment Rep. Meyer

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:
Consent Calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HCR 3048: Judiciary Committee (Rep. DeKrey, Chairman) recommends DO PASS and BE PLACED ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR (10 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 4 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HCR 3048 was placed on the Tenth order on the calendar.

2007 SENATE JUDICIARY

HCR 3048

2007 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Bill/Resolution No. HCR 3048

Senate Judiciary Committee

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Hearing Date: March 7, 2007

Recorder Job Number: 4591

Committee Clerk Signature *Mona L. Solby*

Minutes: Relating to study crime victims compensation funding.

Senator David Nething, Chairman called the Judiciary committee to order. All Senators were present except for Sen. Olafson. The hearing opened with the following hearing:

Testimony in Favor of the Bill:

Charles Placek, Program Manager for the ND Dept. of Corrections introduced the bill and gave his testimony – Att. #1

Rep. Mary Ekstrom, Dist. #11 gave her testimony – Att. #2

Sen. Fiebiger questioned the why the requests in the past for an increase failed? She replied that she was not sure probably due to the shift from WSI to DCR.

Bonnie Palecek, ND Council on Abused Women's Services and Coalition Against Sexual Assault in ND. (meter 6:20) gave her testimony – Att. 3a and handed in additional testimony from **Nicole E. Foster**, Williams Co. States Attorney – Att. 3b

Testimony Against the bill:

None

Testimony Neutral to the bill:

None

Senator David Nething, Chairman closed the hearing.

2007 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Bill/Resolution No. HCR 3048

Senate Judiciary Committee

Check here for Conference Committee

Hearing Date: March 12, 2007

Recorder Job Number: 4897

Committee Clerk Signature

Minutes: Relating to study crime victims compensation funding.

Senator David Nething, Chairman called the Judiciary committee to order. All Senators were present. The hearing opened with the following committee work:

Sen. Nething reviewed the bill for the committee. They discussed a bills passed to cover, i.e., medical, that have to be paid by the perpetrators to there victims and how this was a start but there are additional bills they inure.

Sen. Lyson made the motion to Do Pass HCR 3048 and **Sen. Nelson** seconded the motion.

All members were in favor and the motion passes.

Carrier: **Sen. Olafson**

Senator David Nething, Chairman closed the hearing.

Date: 3-12-07
Roll Call Vote # 1 of 1

2007 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 3048

Senate _____ Judiciary _____ Committee _____

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Legislative Council Amendment Number _____

Action Taken Do Pass

Motion Made By Sen. Lyson Seconded By Sen. Nelson

Senators	Yes	No	Senators	Yes	No
Sen. Nething	✓		Sen. Fleblger	✓	
Sen. Lyson	✓		Sen. Marcellals	✓	
Sen. Olafson	✓		Sen. Nelson	✓	

Total Yes 6 No 0

Absent 0

Floor Assignment Sen. Olafson

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)
March 12, 2007 1:57 p.m.

Module No: SR-46-4998
Carrier: Olafson
Insert LC: . Title: .

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HCR 3048: Judiciary Committee (Sen. Nething, Chairman) recommends DO PASS
(6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HCR 3048 was placed on the
Fourteenth order on the calendar.

2007 TESTIMONY

HCR 3048

HCR 3048 / Crime Victims Compensation Fund
February 21, 2007 / 8:00 AM
Judiciary Committee / Prairie Room
Representative Duane DeKrey, Chairman

Good morning Mr. Chairman and members of the House Judiciary Committee. For the record, my name is Mary Ekstrom. I represent District 11 in Fargo.

I introduced HCR 3048 to address a serious problem with the Crime Victims Compensation Fund.

While serving on the Appropriations Committee this session, I received testimony that the Crime Victims Compensation Fund was being mismanaged because the State has not adequately funded the program.

At the beginning of each new fiscal year the fund is paying off its outstanding debts and then, quite literally, the rest of the bills are put into a file drawer until the fund is replenished at the start of the next fiscal year.

The fund presently owes some \$400,000 in bills that are due from last September! I don't think that this is acceptable.

Much of this money is owed to medical providers who have given treatment to crime victims. It is an added insult that the doctors, clinics and hospitals have already discounted their bills by 20% as required by statute and then they are required to wait for months to be paid. We start each new biennium in a deficit position. I tried to catch the fund up this year but was unsuccessful. Maybe we can fix it in the Senate.

Additionally, because of our under funding, we are leaving federal matching dollars on the table.

This study would put all of the stakeholders at the table to discuss how to do this correctly. Surely, other states have figured this out.

I respectfully, request a DO PASS for HCR 3048 and I will try to answer your questions.

*Same
given to
State*

HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE
REPRESENTATIVE DUANE DEKREY, CHAIRMAN
February 21, 2007

CHARLES R. PLACEK, PROGRAM MANAGER
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION,
FIELD SERVICES DIVISION,
PRESENTING TESTIMONY RE: HCR 3048

Good morning Mr. Chairman and members of the committee. For the record, my name is Charles Placek. I am a program manager for the ND Department of Corrections (DOCR), Field Services Division. It is my understanding that HCR 3048 was introduced following our division testimony before the House Appropriation's Committee. The DOCR welcomes the proposed study of the State's Crime Victims Compensation CVC program. In 1993, with the reorganization of the former Workers Compensation Bureau, the CVC program was transferred to the DOCR. The funding for the CVC program has not changed since it was transferred to the DOCR. It is set at \$426,403.

The CVC program is the payer of last resort for victims of violent crime in North Dakota. By law we will pay up to \$25,000 per crime event. Starting in 1995 we asked medical vendors to accept 80% of their billed amount and consider the bill paid in full. Most medical providers of this state have accepted our request.

In this current biennium, we estimated the CVC program will be deficit by approximately \$500,000. We have not paid any bills to our major medical vendors since the end of September 2006.

The federal fund allocation is set on a formula that reflects state effort. The more we expend using state dollars, the more the federal government provides two years from now.

Many states have developed dedicated revenues sources to fund their own state's CVC program. I believe we need to study the options that would work best in North Dakota to develop a strategy that will fund and meet the needs for the State of North Dakota. The DOCR supports HCR 3048.

**HOUSE COMMITTEE HEARING
REPRESENTATIVE DUANE DEKREY, CHAIRMAN
FEBRUARY 21, 2007**

**AMY VORACHEK, CRIME VICTIM COORDINATOR
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION,
FIELD SERVICES DIVISION,
PRESENTING TESTIMONY RE: HCR 3048**

Good morning Mr. Chairman and members of the committee. For the record, my name is Amy Vorachek; I am the Victim Coordinator for the ND Department of Corrections (DOCR), Field Services Division. The DOCR stands in support of HCR 3038.

In my position I often refer victims to appropriate services, one of these services is Crime Victim's Compensation. I have seen the positive work of this program; however a growing concern is the program's funding. Victims at times are left wondering when or if their medical bills will be paid by Crime Victim's Compensation. With appropriate funding the Crime Victim's Compensation program could more easily and timely assist in alleviating some of the stress a crime victim encounters.

The DOCR requests your support for HCR 3038.

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House Judiciary Committee
Rep. Duane DeKrey, Chair
February 21, 2007

Testimony on HCR 3048

*Same
sworn to
Senate*

Chair DeKrey and Members of the Committee:

My name is Bonnie Palecek and I am speaking on behalf of the ND Council on Abused Women's Services/Coalition Against Sexual Assault in ND. I am here to express grave concerns about the viability of the ND Crime Victims' Compensation Fund (CVCF). As victims' advocates we are out of patience with the Fund's operating in the red for the last ten years, and frankly out of faith that the situation will be fixed. If we are to salvage this fund for victims of violent crimes in ND, it is urgent we study its solvency.

As you know, the Crime Victims Compensation Fund is a Fund which compensates victims of violent crime for damages they have experienced as the result of violent crime. For example, it reimburses medical expenses for victims of domestic violence, funeral expenses for a victim of homicide, forensic and medical expenses for a child sexual abuse victim.

The Fund is a payer of last resort. Insurance must be billed first. Funds to any individual are capped at \$25,000 per violent crime. Funeral expenses are capped at \$3,000. In addition to compensating for physical damages, the Fund can also reimburse for counseling services. The intent is to "make the victim whole," at least insofar as monetary reimbursement can do that.

The funding mechanism is such that the federal government portion is based on what the state has spent in a previous year. The state is compensated at a rate of 60% of the state's expenditures, two years previous.

The Fund has been a godsend to victims of violent crime in North Dakota and in 49 other states. In North Dakota claims are considered in a timely manner, and there seems to be an efficient and effective base of collaboration between law enforcement, the advocacy network, and the Department of Correction's Crime Victims' Compensation administrator. A number of years ago, the fund was languishing, but with the move to the Department of Corrections and renewed collaboration with the advocacy community, it became a viable resource.

Here is the problem, however. The Fund has not been operating in the black for at least the last four bienniums, and things are getting worse. Right now, CVCF is almost a year behind in reimbursing service providers and victims. Rates to providers are already reimbursed at 80% of the going rate (for example to hospitals or therapists). In addition to that contribution, however, providers now have to wait nearly a year for their 80%

reimbursement. Some small private providers such as private practice therapists, are being stretched thin and may not be able to carry bills for an extended period of time much longer. Payments are so far behind, in fact, that the word is out that the Fund no longer exists, (which isn't true), and I have had to clarify its existence with those in our own network of domestic violence and sexual assault advocates.

We have been told that for this biennium money has again been "found", on a one time basis, to cover the deficit this biennium. We need a more solid fix. Applications for the Fund have grown from 142 applications for assistance in 1997 to 224 in 2005 to 302 in 2006. However, no additional funding has been added, with the result that the Fund goes deeper and deeper into deficit spending each biennium. This is no way to do business, and it is doing a real disservice to victims. In fact, North Dakota's allocation has been dropping since 2003, which sets an ominous tone for the future as we spend less and less. To illustrate, in 2003 our allocation was \$135,000, in 2004, \$98,000, and in 2005, just \$86,000. We are losing our leverage for the federal dollars.

Claims for domestic violence assaults account for 6.34% of the total Fund expenditures; domestic violence homicides, 1.90%, and sexual assault, 5.23%. "Other" domestic violence and domestic violence sexual assaults account for another 6.32%. The remaining 82% of claims are paid for victims of other violent crimes.

These victims truly have no one to speak for them, and they are among our most vulnerable citizens: victims of drunk drivers, hit and run crimes, physically and sexually abused children, and victims of violence assaults.

We had hoped that this would be the year to establish solvency for the Fund, and we were disappointed that once again no additional funds were included in the Department of Corrections' budget. We are grateful for the short term fix, but cannot stress enough the urgency of developing a solid funding plan to be implemented in the Department's 2009 budget. Thank you for supporting HCR 3048 and bringing us a step closer to resolution of this important issue.

Thank you.

CRIME VICTIMS COMPENSATION PERFORMANCE REPORT DATA

REPORTING PERIOD FROM 1/1/2005 THROUGH 12/31/2005

FORM 7390 SECTION III A.

DATE: 01/18/2007

- 1. Number of Claims Pending at Beginning of Period: 8
- 2. NUMBER OF CLAIMS RECEIVED DURING REPORTING PERIOD: 224
- 3. SUM OF LINE 1 + LINE 2.....: 232

CLAIMS APPROVED DURING REPORTING PERIOD

- 4. NUMBER OF CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT: 190
- 5. (A) NUMBER OF STATE RESIDENTS: 184
- 5. (B) NUMBER OF NON-RESIDENTS: 6
- (C) NUMBER OF VICTIMS 17 AND UNDER: 65
- (D) NUMBER OF VICTIMS 18 - 64: 123
- 5. (E) NUMBER OF VICTIMS 65 AND OLDER: 2
- 6. NUMBER OF CLAIMS NOT APPROVED FOR PAYMENT: 41
- 7. TOTAL NUMBER OF CLAIM DETERMINATIONS (SUM OF LINE 4 + LINE 6): 231
- 8. NUMBER OF CLAIMS PENDING AT THE END OF REPORTING PERIOD (LINE 3 MINUS LINE 4): 1

SECTION III E.

<u>EXPENSES PAID:</u>	<u>TOTALS</u>	<u>% OF TOTAL</u>
1. Medical/Dental/Mileage/Drugs:	\$198,372.15	64.47%
2. Mental Health:	\$29,071.95	9.54%
3. Economic Support: (Lost Wages)	\$49,229.08	16.16%
4. Funeral/Burial:	\$21,003.19	6.90%
5. Forensic:	\$8,912.44	2.93%
6. Other:	\$0.00	
EXPENSE TOTAL:		\$304,688.81

MILEAGE, MEDICAL, DENTAL, DRUG EXPENSES BREAKDOWN:

- 1. Total Mileage: \$5,163.98
- 2. Total Medical: \$170,567.80
- 3. Total Dental: \$11,126.20
- 4. Total Drugs: \$9,514.17

<u>FUNDS TOTAL</u>	
<u>EXPENSES PAID:</u>	
GENERAL FUNDS TOTAL:	\$0.00
SPECIAL FUND 379 TOTAL:	\$191,792.15
SPECIAL FUND 372 TOTAL:	\$37,700.00
FEDERAL FUNDS TOTAL:	\$68,715.22
EXPENSES TOTAL:	\$318,207.37
<u>REFUNDS:</u>	
GENERAL FUNDS TOTAL:	\$0.00
SPECIAL FUND 379 TOTAL:	(\$9,874.50)
SPECIAL FUND 372 TOTAL:	(\$2,484.16)
FEDERAL FUNDS TOTAL:	(\$1,879.90)
REFUND TOTAL:	(\$13,818.56)
TOTAL NET FUNDS EXPENDED:	\$304,388.81

01/18/2007

FORM 7390 SECTION III D.****** ADULT CRIME (NON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE) SUB SECTION ********CRIME TYPE: ASSAULT**

CLAIM NUMBER: 2599	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: (\$2,484.18)
CLAIM NUMBER: 2868	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$10,910.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 2941	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$150.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 3009	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$7,477.50
CLAIM NUMBER: 3012	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$2,442.05
CLAIM NUMBER: 3027	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$1,200.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 3031	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$5,200.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 3073	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$24,768.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 3077	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$13,582.80
CLAIM NUMBER: 3085	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$151.80
CLAIM NUMBER: 3096	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$249.72
CLAIM NUMBER: 3098	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$263.12
CLAIM NUMBER: 3139	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$848.18
CLAIM NUMBER: 3146	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$14.83
CLAIM NUMBER: 3148	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$134.46
CLAIM NUMBER: 3160	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$298.65
CLAIM NUMBER: 3182	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$5,030.90
CLAIM NUMBER: 3186	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$6,112.14
CLAIM NUMBER: 3204	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$127.80
CLAIM NUMBER: 3213	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$6,860.49
CLAIM NUMBER: 3215	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$87.94
CLAIM NUMBER: 3223	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$25,000.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 3225	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$662.08
CLAIM NUMBER: 3228	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$385.90
CLAIM NUMBER: 3249	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$1,600.87
CLAIM NUMBER: 3250	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$368.30
CLAIM NUMBER: 3251	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$488.30
CLAIM NUMBER: 3257	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$7,800.57
CLAIM NUMBER: 3259	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$1,177.07
CLAIM NUMBER: 3266	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$521.48
CLAIM NUMBER: 3267	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$1,269.38
CLAIM NUMBER: 3269	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$4,071.70
CLAIM NUMBER: 3270	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$1,163.38
CLAIM NUMBER: 3275	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$3,625.22

FORM 7390 SECTION III D.

CLAIM NUMBER: 3276	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$11,445.29
CLAIM NUMBER: 3292	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$1,702.40
CLAIM NUMBER: 3293	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$670.73
CLAIM NUMBER: 3295	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$3,930.19
CLAIM NUMBER: 3303	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$2,347.72
CLAIM NUMBER: 3322	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$1,106.56
CLAIM NUMBER: 3325	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$1,301.06
CLAIM NUMBER: 3331	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$199.66
CLAIM NUMBER: 3341	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$562.86
CLAIM NUMBER: 3344	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$532.28
CLAIM NUMBER: 3355	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$1,437.44
CLAIM NUMBER: 3360	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$2,228.20
CLAIM NUMBER: 3363	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$8,100.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 3378	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$4,072.86
CLAIM NUMBER: 3401	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$900.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 3416	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$17.10
CLAIM NUMBER: 3417	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$284.17
CLAIM NUMBER: 3426	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$570.07
CLAIM NUMBER: 3429	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$1,500.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 3430	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$320.57
CLAIM NUMBER: 3432	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$67.47
CLAIM NUMBER: 3439	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$388.78
CLAIM NUMBER: 3441	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$278.24
CLAIM NUMBER: 3450	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$1,622.20
CLAIM NUMBER: 3452	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$137.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 3453	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$2,227.20

ASSAULT TOTALS:

<u>CLAIM TOTALS FOR THIS CRIME</u>	<u>TOTAL AMOUNT AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF SUB SECTION AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF TOTAL</u>
60	\$179,418.54	87.85%	58.91%

FORM 7390 SECTION III D.

CRIME TYPE: HOMICIDE

CLAIM NUMBER: 3143	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$558.65
CLAIM NUMBER: 3408	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$1,390.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 3451	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$3,000.00

HOMICIDE TOTALS:

<u>CLAIM TOTALS FOR THIS CRIME</u>	<u>TOTAL AMOUNT AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF SUB SECTION AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF TOTAL</u>
3	\$4,948.65	2.42%	1.62%

CRIME TYPE: OTHER

CLAIM NUMBER: 432	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$208.64
CLAIM NUMBER: 589	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$778.87
CLAIM NUMBER: 3281	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$257.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 3324	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$189.64
CLAIM NUMBER: 3398	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$2,520.00

OTHER TOTALS:

<u>CLAIM TOTALS FOR THIS CRIME</u>	<u>TOTAL AMOUNT AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF SUB SECTION AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF TOTAL</u>
5	\$3,954.06	1.94%	1.30%

FORM 7390 SECTION III D.

CRIME TYPE: SEXUAL ASSAULT

CLAIM NUMBER: 2594	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$1,008.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 2957	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$148.80
CLAIM NUMBER: 2968	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$1,000.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 3090	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$580.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 3101	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$780.80
CLAIM NUMBER: 3145	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$483.93
CLAIM NUMBER: 3207	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$480.44
CLAIM NUMBER: 3254	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$229.60
CLAIM NUMBER: 3265	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$267.20
CLAIM NUMBER: 3289	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$944.16
CLAIM NUMBER: 3330	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$48.88
CLAIM NUMBER: 3352	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$71.83
CLAIM NUMBER: 3372	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$2,351.10
CLAIM NUMBER: 3377	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$705.25
CLAIM NUMBER: 3394	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$3,211.85
CLAIM NUMBER: 3409	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$658.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 3419	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$812.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 3425	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$247.60
CLAIM NUMBER: 3433	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$1,810.40
CLAIM NUMBER: 3434	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$308.87

SEXUAL ASSAULT TOTALS:

<u>CLAIM TOTALS FOR THIS CRIME</u>	<u>TOTAL AMOUNT AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF SUB SECTION AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF TOTAL</u>
20	\$15,916.51	7.79%	5.23%

Grand Total Of Claims For Period: 88
 Grand Total Amount Awarded for Period: \$204,237.75
 % of Overall Award: 67.05%

******* ADULT CRIME (DOMESTIC VIOLENCE) SUB SECTION *******

FORM 7390 SECTION III D.

CRIME TYPE: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ASSAULT

CLAIM NUMBER: 936	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$415.88
CLAIM NUMBER: 2728	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$1,085.91
CLAIM NUMBER: 2881	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$29.60
CLAIM NUMBER: 2916	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$5,433.90
CLAIM NUMBER: 3032	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$240.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 3043	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$448.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 3125	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$895.97
CLAIM NUMBER: 3141	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$340.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 3196	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$298.60
CLAIM NUMBER: 3235	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$429.01
CLAIM NUMBER: 3247	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$468.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 3248	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$1,648.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 3271	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$578.93
CLAIM NUMBER: 3301	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$2,191.99
CLAIM NUMBER: 3323	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$2,563.48
CLAIM NUMBER: 3326	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$105.60
CLAIM NUMBER: 3329	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$40.69
CLAIM NUMBER: 3334	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$897.26
CLAIM NUMBER: 3340	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$1,256.89
CLAIM NUMBER: 3381	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$75.28
CLAIM NUMBER: 3413	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$94.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 3415	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$179.20

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ASSAULT TOTALS:

<u>CLAIM TOTALS FOR THIS CRIME</u>	<u>TOTAL AMOUNT AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF SUB SECTION AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF TOTAL</u>
22	\$19,313.99	43.51%	6.34%

CRIME TYPE: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOMICIDE

CLAIM NUMBER: 3238	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$3,000.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 3437	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$2,800.00

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOMICIDE TOTALS:

<u>CLAIM TOTALS FOR THIS CRIME</u>	<u>TOTAL AMOUNT AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF SUB SECTION AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF TOTAL</u>
2	\$5,800.00	13.07%	1.90%

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CRIME TYPE: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OTHER

CLAIM NUMBER: 2942 TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$7,829.36
 CLAIM NUMBER: 3033 TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$2,808.00
 CLAIM NUMBER: 3154 TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$7,836.39

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OTHER TOTALS:

<u>CLAIM TOTALS FOR THIS CRIME</u>	<u>TOTAL AMOUNT AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF SUB SECTION AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF TOTAL</u>
3	\$18,073.75	40.72%	5.93%

CRIME TYPE: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SEXUAL ASSAULT

CLAIM NUMBER: 3166 TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$1,198.62

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SEXUAL ASSAULT TOTALS:

<u>CLAIM TOTALS FOR THIS CRIME</u>	<u>TOTAL AMOUNT AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF SUB SECTION AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF TOTAL</u>
1	\$1,198.62	2.70%	0.39%

Grand Total Of Claims For Period: 28
 Grand Total Amount Awarded for Period: \$44,386.36
 % of Overall Award: 14.57%

******* VEHICLE CRIME SUB SECTION *******

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CRIME TYPE: AGGRAVATED RECKLESS DRIVING

CLAIM NUMBER: 3052 TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$3,108.00
 CLAIM NUMBER: 3442 TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$3,900.00

AGGRAVATED RECKLESS DRIVING TOTALS:

<u>CLAIM TOTALS FOR THIS CRIME</u>	<u>TOTAL AMOUNT AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF SUB SECTION AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF TOTAL</u>
2	\$7,008.00	45.74%	2.30%

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CRIME TYPE: DUI

CLAIM NUMBER: 3246

TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$1,800.00

DUI TOTALS:

<u>CLAIM TOTALS FOR THIS CRIME</u>	<u>TOTAL AMOUNT AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF SUB SECTION AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF TOTAL</u>
1	\$1,800.00	11.75%	0.59%

CRIME TYPE: HIT/RUN

CLAIM NUMBER: 2169

TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$318.40

HIT/RUN TOTALS:

<u>CLAIM TOTALS FOR THIS CRIME</u>	<u>TOTAL AMOUNT AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF SUB SECTION AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF TOTAL</u>
1	\$318.40	2.08%	0.10%

CRIME TYPE: NEGLIGENT HOMICIDE

CLAIM NUMBER: 2357

TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$240.00

CLAIM NUMBER: 2954

TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$2,954.54

CLAIM NUMBER: 3286

TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$3,000.00

NEGLIGENT HOMICIDE TOTALS:

<u>CLAIM TOTALS FOR THIS CRIME</u>	<u>TOTAL AMOUNT AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF SUB SECTION AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF TOTAL</u>
3	\$6,194.54	40.43%	2.03%

Grand Total Of Claims For Period: 7

Total Amount Awarded for Period excluding DUI: \$13,520.94

Grand Total Amount Awarded for Period: \$15,320.94

% of Overall Award: 5.03%

***** CHILD CRIME SUB SECTION *****

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CRIME TYPE: CHILD (UNDER 18) PHYSICAL ABUSE/ASSAULT

CLAIM NUMBER: 3209	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$574.43
CLAIM NUMBER: 3237	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$1,000.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 3287	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$2,500.00

CHILD (UNDER 18) PHYSICAL ABUSE/ASSAULT TOTALS:

<u>CLAIM TOTALS FOR THIS CRIME</u>	<u>TOTAL AMOUNT AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF SUB SECTION AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF TOTAL</u>
3	\$4,074.43	10.97%	1.34%

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CRIME TYPE: CHILD (UNDER 18) SEXUAL ABUSE BY FAMILY

CLAIM NUMBER: 2408	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$140.72
CLAIM NUMBER: 2609	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$278.21
CLAIM NUMBER: 2663	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$674.75
CLAIM NUMBER: 2688	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$43.22
CLAIM NUMBER: 2899	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$0.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 2923	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$77.79
CLAIM NUMBER: 3044	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$240.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 3080	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$2,022.31
CLAIM NUMBER: 3070	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$2,138.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 3114	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$888.92
CLAIM NUMBER: 3131	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$1,171.36
CLAIM NUMBER: 3165	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$182.80
CLAIM NUMBER: 3217	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$247.70
CLAIM NUMBER: 3238	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$310.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 3239	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$210.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 3252	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$227.20
CLAIM NUMBER: 3255	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$227.20
CLAIM NUMBER: 3280	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$280.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 3284	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$454.40
CLAIM NUMBER: 3307	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$227.20
CLAIM NUMBER: 3309	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$353.60
CLAIM NUMBER: 3317	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$219.50
CLAIM NUMBER: 3390	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$34.10
CLAIM NUMBER: 3391	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$164.30
CLAIM NUMBER: 3395	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$148.20
CLAIM NUMBER: 3403	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$2,371.08
CLAIM NUMBER: 3411	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$499.60
CLAIM NUMBER: 3445	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$227.20
CLAIM NUMBER: 3467	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$278.52

CHILD (UNDER 18) SEXUAL ABUSE BY FAMILY TOTALS:

<u>CLAIM TOTALS FOR THIS CRIME</u>	<u>TOTAL AMOUNT AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF SUB SECTION AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF TOTAL</u>
29	\$14,435.88	38.88%	4.74%

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CLAIM NUMBER: 2191	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$800.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 2521	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$716.60
CLAIM NUMBER: 2667	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$446.02
CLAIM NUMBER: 2801	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$86.80
CLAIM NUMBER: 2926	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$198.12
CLAIM NUMBER: 2934	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$342.06
CLAIM NUMBER: 3029	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$5,232.18
CLAIM NUMBER: 3071	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$869.75
CLAIM NUMBER: 3149	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$523.88
CLAIM NUMBER: 3164	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$340.80
CLAIM NUMBER: 3194	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$437.22
CLAIM NUMBER: 3196	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$84.40
CLAIM NUMBER: 3214	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$330.00
CLAIM NUMBER: 3216	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$227.20
CLAIM NUMBER: 3219	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$44.64
CLAIM NUMBER: 3220	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$227.20
CLAIM NUMBER: 3221	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$227.20
CLAIM NUMBER: 3226	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$503.60
CLAIM NUMBER: 3231	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$227.20
CLAIM NUMBER: 3234	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$803.95
CLAIM NUMBER: 3253	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$227.20
CLAIM NUMBER: 3260	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$227.20
CLAIM NUMBER: 3263	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$481.60
CLAIM NUMBER: 3290	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$913.88
CLAIM NUMBER: 3319	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$838.14
CLAIM NUMBER: 3328	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$44.02
CLAIM NUMBER: 3347	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$171.60
CLAIM NUMBER: 3351	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$81.86
CLAIM NUMBER: 3354	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$227.20
CLAIM NUMBER: 3369	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$171.60
CLAIM NUMBER: 3370	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$285.20
CLAIM NUMBER: 3374	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$454.40
CLAIM NUMBER: 3376	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$808.18
CLAIM NUMBER: 3431	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$815.60
CLAIM NUMBER: 3443	TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$227.20

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CHILD (UNDER 18) SEXUAL ABUSE BY NON-FAMILY TOTALS:

<u>CLAIM TOTALS FOR THIS CRIME</u>	<u>TOTAL AMOUNT AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF SUB SECTION AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF TOTAL</u>
35	\$18,833.70	50.17%	6.12%

Grand Total Of Claims For Period: 67
Grand Total Amount Awarded for Period: \$37,144.01
% of Overall Award: 12.19%

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ADULT CRIME (COMBINED DV AND NON-DV) SUB SECTION

1. ASSAULT TOTALS:	\$198,732.53
2. HOMICIDE TOTALS:	\$10,748.65
3. SEXUAL ASSAULT TOTALS:	\$17,115.13
4. OTHER CRIMETYPE TOTALS::	\$22,027.80

Grand Total Amount Awarded for Period: \$248,624.11

FORM 7390 BREAKOUT TOTALS FOR OTHER CRIMETYPE

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DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CRIMES

CRIME TYPE: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OTHER

HARASSMENT

CLAIM NUMBER: 3154 TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$7,636.39
 TOTAL FOR CRIME: \$7,636.39

MISC

CLAIM NUMBER: 2942 TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$7,629.36
 TOTAL FOR CRIME: \$7,629.36

TERRORISM

CLAIM NUMBER: 3033 TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$2,808.00
 TOTAL FOR CRIME: \$2,808.00

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OTHER TOTALS:

<u>CLAIM TOTALS FOR THIS CRIME</u>	<u>TOTAL AMOUNT AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF SUB SECTION AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF TOTAL</u>
3	\$18,073.75	100.00%	5.93%

Grand Total Of Claims For Period: 3
 Grand Total Amount Awarded for Period: \$18,073.75
 % of Overall Award: 5.93%

NON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CRIMES

CRIME TYPE: OTHER

ATTEMPTED HOMICIDE

CLAIM NUMBER: 589 TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$776.87
 TOTAL FOR CRIME: \$776.87

CRIMINAL TRESPASS

CLAIM NUMBER: 3291

TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$257.00

TOTAL FOR CRIME: \$257.00

MISC

CLAIM NUMBER: 432

TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$208.64

TOTAL FOR CRIME: \$208.64

RECKLESS ENDANGERMENT

CLAIM NUMBER: 3398

TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$2,520.00

TOTAL FOR CRIME: \$2,520.00

TERRORIZING

CLAIM NUMBER: 3324

TOTAL CLAIM AMOUNT: \$189.54

TOTAL FOR CRIME: \$189.54

OTHER TOTALS:

<u>CLAIM TOTALS FOR THIS CRIME</u>	<u>TOTAL AMOUNT AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF SUB SECTION AWARDED</u>	<u>% OF TOTAL</u>
5	\$3,954.05	100.00%	1.30%

Grand Total Of Claims For Period: 5

Grand Total Amount Awarded for Period: \$3,954.05

% of Overall Award: 1.30%

HCR 3048 / Crime Victims Compensation Fund
March 7, 2007 / 11:00 AM
Judiciary Committee / Fort Lincoln Room
Senator David Nething, Chairman

Good morning Mr. Chairman and members of the ^{Senate} House Judiciary Committee. For the record, my name is Mary Ekstrom. I represent District 11 in Fargo.

I introduced HCR 3048 to address a serious problem with the Crime Victims Compensation Fund.

While serving on the Appropriations Committee this session, I received testimony that the Crime Victims Compensation Fund was being mismanaged because the State has not adequately funded the program. Let me state again, the reason this fund is being mismanaged is because we, as legislators, have not provided adequate funding. I have the deepest respect for the Department of Corrections and I believe they have been doing the best job they can to manage this properly.

At the beginning of each new fiscal year the fund is paying off its outstanding debts and then, quite literally, the rest of the bills are put into a file drawer until the fund is replenished at the start of the next fiscal year.

The fund presently owes some \$400,000 in ^{bills} bills that are due from last September! I don't think that this is acceptable.

Much of this money is owed to medical providers who have given treatment to crime victims. It is an added insult that the doctors, clinics and hospitals have already discounted their bills by 20% and then they are required to wait for months to be paid. We start each new biennium in a deficit position. I tried to catch the fund up this year but was unsuccessful. Maybe we can fix it in the Senate.

Additionally, because of our under funding, we are leaving federal matching dollars on the table.

This study would put all of the stakeholders at the table to discuss how to do this correctly. Surely, other states have figured this out.

I respectfully, request a DO PASS for HCR 3048 and I will try to answer your questions.

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Senator Nething and Members of the Senate Judiciary Committee

RE: HCR 3048
Date: Thursday, March 8, 2007

My name is Vikki Lorenz. I am the director of the Williams County Victim Witness Assistance Program a position I have held for 21 years. I would like to comment on the importance of studying Crime Victims Compensation funding.

The Williams County Victim Witness Assistance Program provides eligible crime victims with applications for Crime Victims Compensation. While we are unable to make a victim emotionally whole, we can at least try to make them financially whole. A way of doing that is through Crime Victims Compensation. Currently I am working with 2 victims of crime whose livelihood was stripped from them as a result of a criminal action. Both victims severely injured are unable to work and rely on Crime Victims Compensation to provide them with a stipend for economic loss. Crime Victims Compensation ran out of money last fall which means these two victims are struggling to find alternative ways to pay bills for basic living expenses.....food, rent. One person who is an oilfield worker, lost his home and his car. He does not expect CVC to be his only source of income, but it did help to get that check until he is able to return to work.

It is important to have a reliable fund. The interim study which would include a review of other states' efforts which would provide some insight as to how we can do things better for innocent citizens of North Dakota who fall victim to crime. I would urge you to agree to HCR #3048

Thank you

Sincerely,

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