HB 2255 -- Work for Restitution Program

Sponsor: Guest

This bill allows any local governing agency, as specified in the bill, to establish a work for restitution program and requires persons who have pled guilty to or been convicted of nonviolent offenses where restitution is a requirement of their probation to participate in and complete the program. In its main provisions, the bill:

- (1) Specifies which offenders are eligible to participate in the program;
- (2) Requires parole revocation for failure to complete or participate in the program;
- (3) Provides for the development of a program plan for offenders;
- (4) Requires the local governing agency to prepare monthly progress reports to the Board of Probation and Parole's designee;
- (5) Establishes restitution fee schedules;
- (6) Authorizes the department to enter into agreements for the collection of fees;
- (7) Creates the Work for Restitution Fund within the state treasury to fund the program; and
- (8) Requires the local governing agency to prepare an annual report on the effectiveness and financial impact of the program.