

HB 743 -- GOVERNMENTAL COMPENSATION FUND (Conway (104))

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: Standing Committee on Budget

This bill allows a claim for compensation paid for burial for the death of a crime victim to be made by the funeral home or a relative of the victim.

Currently, the Director of the Department of Revenue is required to deposit \$250,000 annually to the state forensic laboratory account administered by the Department of Public Safety to defray expenses of crime laboratories if such laboratories are registered with the federal Drug Enforcement Agency or the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services. This bill changes the required deposit amount to be at least \$250,000 but no more than \$1 million.

The bill changes two of the compensation judgments collected by the court to be deposited into the Crime Victims' Compensation Fund. A class C felony will now pay \$55 and a class D or E felony will pay \$46.