

HOUSE BILL No. 1123

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 5-2-6-10.7.

Synopsis: Funding for programs to assist victims of crime. Appropriates money to the Indiana criminal justice institute for the institute to disburse to entities eligible to receive victim assistance grants under the federal Victims of Crime Act for the provision of victim assistance services.

Effective: July 1, 2025.

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First Regular Session of the 124th General Assembly (2025)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning state and local administration and to make an appropriation.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 5-2-6-10.7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2025]: **Sec. 10.7. (a) The Indiana crime victims fund is**
4 **established to provide funds for entitlement jurisdictions, eligible**
5 **entities, or local governmental entities that are eligible for victim**
6 **assistance grants under the federal Victims of Crime Act (Public**
7 **Law 98-473) and related regulations.**
8 **(b) The fund consists of:**
9 **(1) appropriations made by the general assembly;**
10 **(2) gifts, grants, contributions, or other donations from any**
11 **public or private source; and**
12 **(3) interest deposited under subsection (d).**
13 **(c) The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from**
14 **money in the fund.**
15 **(d) The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the fund not**
16 **currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same**
17 **manner as other public money may be invested. Interest that**



1 accrues from these investments shall be deposited in the fund.

2 (e) The institute shall administer the fund and shall disburse
3 money in the fund to entitlement jurisdictions, eligible entities, or
4 local governmental entities in accordance with section 10 of this
5 chapter, and in the same manner as the institute disburses victim
6 assistance grants under the federal Victims of Crime Act (Public
7 Law 98-473) and related regulations.

8 (f) The institute shall require that an entitlement jurisdiction,
9 eligible entity, or local governmental entity that receives funds
10 under this section must use the funds for the same purposes as an
11 entitlement jurisdiction, eligible entity, or local governmental
12 entity may use victim assistance grants under the federal Victims
13 of Crime Act (Public Law 98-473) and related regulations.

14 (g) Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not
15 revert to the state general fund.

16 SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025] (a) As used in this
17 SECTION, "fund" means the Indiana crime victims fund
18 established by IC 5-2-6-10.7, as added by this act.

19 (b) As used in this SECTION, "institute" means the Indiana
20 criminal justice institute established under IC 5-2-6.

21 (c) The following amounts are appropriated from the state
22 general fund to the institute for deposit in the fund for the purposes
23 set forth in IC 5-2-6-10.7, as added by this act:

24 (1) Fifteen million dollars (\$15,000,000) for the state fiscal
25 year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

26 (2) Fifteen million dollars (\$15,000,000) for the state fiscal
27 year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027.

28 (d) This SECTION expires July 1, 2027.

