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BILL ANALYSIS



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House Bills 4509, 4510, and 4608 (as passed by the House)
Sponsor: Representative Eric Bush (H.B. 4509)
Representative James Ryan (H.B. 4510)
Representative Roland Jersevic (H.B. 4608)
House Committee: Judiciary and Civil Rights
First Senate Committee: Families, Mental Health and Human Services
Second Senate Committee: Judiciary

Date Completed: 1-30-96

CONTENT

House Bill 4509 would amend the Crime Victim's Rights Act, House Bill 4510 would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure, and House Bill 4608 would amend the juvenile code to specify that in provisions concerning restitution for an offense, "person" would include, but would not be limited to, a shelter program for victims of domestic violence and their dependent children or a similar community service program. Further, House Bills 4509 and 4510 provide that an order of restitution could be enforced by any person named in the order to receive restitution, in addition to the prosecuting attorney, victim, and victim's estate as currently provided.

Currently, all three laws provide that, if a victim or his or her estate consents, an order of restitution may require that the defendant make restitution in services in lieu of money or make restitution to a person designated by the victim or his or her estate if that person provided services to the victim as a result of the offense. Under the bills, restitution could be made to shelters for victims of domestic violence and to similar community service programs.

The bills include an effective date of October 1, 1995.

MCL 780.766 et al. (H.B. 4509)
769.1a (H.B. 4510)
712A.30 (H.B. 4608)

Legislative Analyst: P. Affholter

FISCAL IMPACT

It appears that the bills would have no significant fiscal impact on State or local government. The amendments would enable an order of restitution to be designated to organizations or programs of the victim's choice.

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