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## INCREASE FINES FOR CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN

**House Bill 4876**

**Sponsor: Rep. Jim Howell**

**Committee: Criminal Law and Corrections**

**Complete to 10-15-99**

### **A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4876 AS INTRODUCED 9-28-99**

The bill would amend the Penal Code to allow a court to order double the normal fine where the victim of a crime was less than 18 years old. An individual who was convicted of committing a crime where the victim was less than 18 years old could be made to pay a fine of no more than twice the authorized fine for such a crime. If the crime was punishable by a minimum and maximum fine, the court would be required to order the criminal to pay at least twice the minimum fine and could order him or her to pay as much as twice the maximum fine.

The bill's provisions would apply only to those crimes committed on or after the bill took effect.

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