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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 266

As Recommended by Senate Committee on
Judiciary

Brief*

SB 266 would amend law governing awards from the Crime Victims Compensation Board (CVCB). Specifically, the bill would amend the definition of “collateral source” to include “any other source” received by or readily available to the victim or claimant.

Background

The bill was introduced at the request of the Office of the Attorney General (AG’s Office). In the Senate Committee on Judiciary hearing, a representative of the AG’s Office appeared in support of the bill and explained the CVCB is intended to be a payer of last resort, and the law allows CVCB to reduce or deny compensation to the extent a claimant has recovered from a collateral source. Further, the representative explained victims sometimes recover from sources not currently listed and, without this change, victims may recover compensation from other sources as well as from CVCB for the same loss. No other testimony was provided.

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget, the AG’s Office indicates the bill could decrease payment to claimants from the Crime Victims Compensation Fund because it would expand the definition of what would be considered a collateral source, thereby enabling the AG’s Office to deny or recover additional payments to claimants

*Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at <http://www.kslegislature.org>

who have received compensation. The AG's Office indicates the fiscal effect would be negligible. Any fiscal effect associated with enactment of the bill is not reflected in *The FY 2019 Governor's Budget Report*.