H.B. NO. 2080-74

A Bill for an Act Relating to Criminal Injuries Compensation.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Section 351-62.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

- "Sec. 351-62.5 Criminal injuries compensation fund; when payments authorized. (a) There is established a criminal injuries compensation fund from which the criminal injuries compensation commission may make payments as provided in subsection (b). The director of finance shall be custodian of the fund, and all payments therefrom shall be paid by him upon orders by the commission.
- (b) Where the criminal injuries compensation commission has made an award pursuant to this chapter, the commission shall make such payments to or on behalf of the victim, or to or for the benefit of one or more of the dependents of a deceased victim, or to or for the benefit of other persons who have suffered pecuniary loss or incurred expenses on account of hospital, medical, funeral, or burial expenses as a result of the victim's injury or death. Payments made pursuant to this section shall not exceed the total amount of the award.
- (c) The amount appropriated under section 351-70 shall be redeposited into the criminal injuries compensation fund established by this section, to be applied to making other payments as authorized by the criminal injuries compensation commission."

SECTION 2. Section 351-70, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 351-70 Annual report. The criminal injuries compensation commission shall transmit annually to the governor and to the director of finance, at least thirty days prior to the convening of the legislature a report of its activities under this chapter including the name of each applicant, a brief description of the facts in each case, and the amount, if any, of compensation awarded. The director of finance shall, within five days after the opening of

the legislative session, transmit the report, together with a tabulation of the total amount of compensation awarded, and a legislative bill appropriating funds necessary to replenish the criminal injuries compensation fund for the compensation awarded."

SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$150,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the purpose of establishing the criminal injuries compensation fund. The moneys existing in the criminal injuries compensation emergency payment fund on the effective date of this Act shall be paid into the criminal injuries compensation fund.

SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New material is underscored. In printing this Act, the revisor of statutes need not include the brackets, the bracketed material, or the underscoring.*

SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval. (Approved June 10, 1974.)

^{*}Edited accordingly.