

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 2147**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Chu**

February 20, 2002

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An act to add Section 13965.7 to the Government Code, relating to victims of crime, and making an appropriation therefor.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2147, as introduced, Chu. Victims of crime: compensation.

Existing law provides for the indemnification of victims of specified types of crimes for specified expenses that become necessary as a direct result of the crime. Indemnification is made under these provisions from the Restitution Fund, which is continuously appropriated to the California Victim Compensation and Government Claims Board for these purposes.

This bill would authorize the board to reimburse a victim or derivative victim of a hate crime, as defined, in an amount not to exceed \$500 for each incident toward an insurance policy deductible or uninsured property damage. By authorizing new uses for a continuously appropriated fund, this bill would make an appropriation. The bill would transfer \$150,000 from the General Fund to the Restitution Fund for that purpose.

Vote: <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub>. Appropriation: yes. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 13965.7 is added to the Government
- 2 Code, to read:

1 13965.7. The board may reimburse a victim or derivative  
2 victim of a hate crime in an amount not to exceed five hundred  
3 dollars (\$500) for each incident toward (a) an insurance policy  
4 deductible, or (b) uninsured property damage. For the purposes of  
5 this section “hate crime” means a hate crime as defined in any  
6 other provision of law, including, but not limited to, any offense  
7 described in Section 676.10 of the Insurance Code or Sections  
8 422.6 to 422.75, inclusive, or Section 628.1, of the Penal Code.  
9 SEC. 2. The sum of one hundred fifty thousand dollars  
10 (\$150,000) is hereby transferred from the General Fund to the  
11 Restitution Fund and shall be expended for the purposes of Section  
12 13965.7 of the Government Code.

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