

SENATE LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 1713

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JANUARY 30, 2023

The Senate Law and Public Safety Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 1713.

As reported by the committee, this bill codifies the current policy of the Victims of Crime Compensation Office (VCCO) to issue an annual report summarizing compensation awards granted to eligible victims.

Under the bill, the report is to summarize compensation awarded to victims during the previous fiscal year. The report is also to include the number of applications for compensation, the number of applications granted and denied and the reasons for the dispositions, the amount of awards, demographics concerning awards, services for which awards were provided, funding received by the office, and any other information deemed relevant by the Attorney General and the Executive Director of the VCCO.

The bill requires the report to be completed within six months following the last day of the previous fiscal year.

The report is to be issued to the Governor and the Legislature, as well as made available on the official website of the Department of Law and Public Safety.

As reported by the committee, Assembly Bill No. 1713 is identical to Senate Bill No. 2262, which also was reported by the committee on this date.