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## HOUSE BILL NO. 2608

Offered January 27, 1995

*A BILL to amend and reenact § 19.2-368.2 of the Code of Virginia, relating to compensation of crime victims; definitions.*

Patron—Howell

Consent to introduce

Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

**Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

**1. That § 19.2-368.2 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

§ 19.2-368.2. Definitions.

For the purpose of this chapter:

"Claimant" means the person filing a claim pursuant to this chapter.

"Commission" means the Virginia Workers' Compensation Commission.

"Crime" means an act committed by any person in the Commonwealth of Virginia which would constitute a crime as defined by the Code of Virginia or at common law. However, no act involving the operation of a motor vehicle which results in injury shall constitute a crime for the purpose of this chapter unless the injuries (i) were intentionally inflicted through the use of such vehicle or, (ii) resulted from a violation of § 18.2-266 or (iii) were sustained in an accident involving a violation of § 46.2-894.

"Family," when used with reference to a person, means (i) any person related to such person within the third degree of consanguinity or affinity, (ii) any person residing in the same household with such person, or (iii) a spouse.

"Victim" means a person who suffers personal physical injury or death as a direct result of a crime or who suffers personal emotional injury as a direct result of being the subject of a robbery, abduction or attempted robbery or abduction.

**2. That the provisions of this act shall apply to claims arising before and after the effective date of this act.**

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