RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Existing law provides for the Crime Victims Reparations Fund and further provides that monies in the fund that are received from the collection of unclaimed prize money as provided by <u>existing law</u> shall be used exclusively to pay the expenses, including forensic medical examinations, associated with healthcare services of victims of sexually-oriented criminal offenses.

<u>New law</u> further authorizes the use of such funds for the recoupment of lost earnings and the reasonable costs of administering the fund.

<u>New law</u> provides that notwithstanding <u>existing law</u>, for state Fiscal Years 2020-2021, 2021-2022, and 2022-2023, monies received from the collection of unclaimed prize money as provided by R.S. 4:176 and R.S. 27:94, 252, and 394 shall be used exclusively to pay the expenses associated with healthcare services of victims of sexually-oriented criminal offenses, including forensic medical examinations as defined in R.S. 15:622, lost earnings, and the reasonable costs of administering <u>new law</u>.

<u>New law</u> provides that reasonable costs include the salary for one full-time employee, the salary for one part-time employee, equipment, operating expenses, and software support.

Effective Aug. 1, 2020.

(Amends R.S. 46:1816(C)(2))