



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 5309

January Session, 2001

AN ACT PROHIBITING THE PAYMENT OF JURORS BY A PARTY OR SUCH PARTY'S REPRESENTATIVE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 (NEW) (a) After the conclusion of any civil or criminal proceeding
2 that was tried to a jury, (1) no party in such proceeding or person
3 acting on behalf of such party shall make any payment of money or
4 give anything of value to any person who served as a juror in such
5 proceeding in connection with such person's service as a juror, and (2)
6 no person who served as a juror in such proceeding shall accept any
7 payment of money or anything of value in connection with such
8 person's service as a juror from any party in such proceeding or person
9 acting on behalf of such party.

10 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section,
11 if a person who served as a juror in any civil or criminal proceeding is
12 subsequently called as a witness in an action to collaterally attack the
13 verdict in such proceeding on the basis of juror misconduct, such
14 person may receive a witness fee in the same manner as any other
15 witness in such action.

16 (c) Any person who violates the provisions of subsection (a) of this
17 section shall be guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

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