



**Substitute Senate Bill No. 1456**

**Special Act No. 07-8**

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE COMPENSATION OF PERSONS  
WRONGLY CONVICTED AND INCARCERATED.**

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

Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) The advisory commission on wrongful convictions established pursuant to section 54-102pp of the general statutes shall study different procedures for the state to compensate persons who have been wrongfully convicted and incarcerated for a crime which they did not commit. The study shall include, but not be limited to, an examination of the laws and practices of other states and the federal government that authorize the payment of compensation to persons wrongfully convicted and incarcerated. The commission shall consider issues such as eligibility criteria, the application process, the time limitation for filing a claim, the evidence that a claimant must present to support a claim, the standard of proof borne by a claimant, the calculation, amount and method of payment of compensation and whether the claim should be presented to a court or an existing or specially-created agency, board or commission.

(b) Not later than February 6, 2008, the commission shall report its findings and recommendations for legislation establishing a procedure for the compensation of persons who are wrongfully convicted and incarcerated to the joint standing committee on judiciary in accordance

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with section 11-4a of the general statutes.

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