



General Assembly

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Committee Bill No. 6673

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Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by:
(JUD)

AN ACT COMPENSATING JAMES C. TILLMAN FOR HIS WRONGFUL CONVICTION AND INCARCERATION.

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of
2 chapter 53 of the general statutes, the Comptroller is directed to draw
3 her order on the Treasurer in favor of James Calvin Tillman for the
4 sum of five million dollars as full and final settlement of all claims of
5 James Calvin Tillman against the state and any political subdivision of
6 the state, and any officer, agent, employee or official thereof, including
7 claims for loss of liberty and enjoyment of life, loss of income, loss of
8 future earnings, physical injury, mental pain and suffering,
9 psychological injury and loss of familial relationships, arising out of, or
10 in any way related to, his arrest, prosecution, conviction and
11 incarceration from 1988 to 2006 for the crimes of kidnapping and
12 sexual assault, which crimes he did not commit and which convictions
13 were vacated and the charges dismissed on July 11, 2006, provided
14 James Calvin Tillman, for and in consideration of the payment of such
15 sum, shall execute a release of liability on behalf of himself and his
16 heirs, successors and assigns, in such form as may be prescribed by the

17 Attorney General, releasing and forever discharging the state of
18 Connecticut and any political subdivision of the state, and any officer,
19 agent, employee or official thereof, from every claim, demand, action,
20 cause of action or liability of whatever nature, whether known or
21 unknown, at law or in equity, and whether under federal, state or
22 common law, which James Calvin Tillman ever had, now has or could
23 have in the future arising out of, or in any way related to, such arrest,
24 prosecution, conviction and incarceration. Any payment received
25 pursuant to this act shall be exempt from the tax imposed under
26 chapter 229 of the general statutes

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To compensate James C. Tillman for his wrongful conviction and incarceration.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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