

as you know, is the 35 percent of the state which they provide for state compensation programs. Programs have until October 1, 1990 to meet these conditions to remain eligible for future compensation grants from the Federal Crime Victims Fund, so this is a very timely...to do this this session. Section 4 provides that a resident of Nebraska who is a victim of crime committed in another state shall be eligible for compensation if the crime would be compensable had it occurred in Nebraska and the crime occurred in a state which does not have a crime victim compensation program for which our Nebraska resident would be eligible. Section 5 requires hearing officers to consider and rule upon applications within 180 days after receipt of all the required information related to the crime. Section 5 also requires the hearing on the victim's application to be held within 120 days after receipt of a request for hearing. Section 6 eliminates consideration of the prior social history of the victim and the need for financial aid when determining whether to make an order under the Reparations Act. These change proposed in Section 7 bring Nebraska in compliance with the VOCA guidelines also. Section 8 entitles the victim to be notified by the county attorney of the time and place of any subsequent judicial proceedings if a defendant was acquitted on the grounds of insanity. Section 8 also clarifies Section 81 by specifying that only those funds deposited into the Victims Compensation Fund pursuant to Section 81.1836 would be returned to the accused person. Requiring other funds deposited in the Victim's Compensation Fund to be returned would make it extremely difficult for the Nebraska Crime Commission to track administratively because they would need access to information concerning the amount deposited for each accused person, the dates of those deposits, the name of the victim and whether the victim filed for compensation. Throughout this interim period the Crime Commission, victim advocates, victims and the Nebraska Coalition for Victims of Crime have met together and thrashed out this...these amendments. And so I would hope that you would adopt them and then move forward LB 87.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you, Senator Pirsch. There are no lights on, oh, Senator Crosby has put her light on. Senator Crosby on the Pirsch amendment.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you. I just want a little clarification Senator Pirsch, I do not understand the...

SENATOR LANDIS: Senator Pirsch, would you yield to a question?