

HB 83 -- Payment of Costs for Prosecution of Criminal Offenses

Sponsor: Kraus

This bill authorizes a judge to order a defendant who has pled guilty to or been found guilty of a felony offense to pay expenses related to the cost of the prosecution. Expenses for which reimbursement can be ordered include the salaries or wages of law enforcement personnel for time spent responding to the incident, the cost of medical supplies lost or used by fire departments and emergency medical service personnel, and the costs of extraditing the defendant from another state. Any defendant who fails to pay the court-ordered reimbursement may not have his or her probation revoked without a finding, supported by a preponderance of the evidence, that the defendant willfully or intentionally refused to make payment.