



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2017 Wisconsin Act 337 [2017 Assembly Bill 650]	Crime Victim Restitution
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BACKGROUND

State law requires the Department of Justice (DOJ) to semiannually submit a report to the Department of Administration (DOA) and the Joint Committee on Finance (JFC) regarding the money that DOJ receives under a court order or a settlement agreement for providing restitution to victims. Prior law required that the report specify all of the following:

- The amount of restitution received by DOJ.
- The **persons** to whom DOJ paid restitution and the **amount** that DOJ paid to **each recipient** during the reporting period.
- The methodology for selecting recipients and determining the amount paid to each recipient.

2017 WISCONSIN ACT 337

2017 Wisconsin Act 337 amends what information described in the second bulletpoint listed above, related to crime victims receiving restitution payments, must be included in the reports that DOJ submits to DOA and JFC. Under the Act, the report must specify the **number of persons** to whom DOJ paid restitution and the **total amount** that DOJ paid to **all recipients** during the reporting period.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature's Web site at: <http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov>.