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On Behalf Of:
Committee: House Committee On Judiciary
Measure: HB4075

Hello,

I am asking the committee to reconsider Section 1 of HB 4075 giving inordinate discretion to District Attorney's in requiring restitution within 90 days of sentencing. This new process effectively flips the burden to the defendant in being forced to prove they should not have to pay restitution, which is contrary to a defendant's rights to due process.

Restitution orders have the potential to severely impact a person's life, and such orders should not be made reflexively, easily, or without extensive evidence and consideration. As an attorney working with clients who are unable to find housing, access a license, pursue employment, provide for their children, and whose lives are otherwise diminished by court debt and the incumbent predatory collections agencies, I ask that you please reconsider Section 1 of HB 4075.

Thank you,

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