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2 An act for the relief of Irving Hoffman and Marjorie
3 Weiss, parents of Rachel Hoffman, deceased,
4 individually and as co-personal representatives of the
5 Estate of Rachel Hoffman, by the City of Tallahassee;
6 providing an appropriation to compensate them for the
7 wrongful death of their daughter, Rachel Hoffman, who
8 was murdered while serving as a confidential informant
9 for the Tallahassee Police Department; providing a
10 limitation on the payment of fees and costs; providing
11 an effective date.

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13 WHEREAS, Rachel Hoffman served as a confidential informant
14 for the Tallahassee Police Department in May 2008, and

15 WHEREAS, Rachel Hoffman was murdered by Andrea Green and
16 Daneilo Bradshaw during a drug sting operation, and

17 WHEREAS, Andrea Green and Daneilo Bradshaw are both serving
18 life sentences for the murder of Rachel Hoffman, and

19 WHEREAS, the City of Tallahassee recognizes that it must
20 always be accountable for its conduct, acknowledges that
21 mistakes were made and policies were violated in this case, and
22 the life of Rachel Hoffman was tragically lost, and

23 WHEREAS, the City of Tallahassee expresses its deepest
24 sorrow for the loss of Rachel Hoffman, and

25 WHEREAS, the City of Tallahassee offers its most sincere
26 condolences to the parents of Rachel Hoffman, Marjorie Weiss and
27 Irving Hoffman, and

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28 WHEREAS, the City of Tallahassee has agreed to pay Irving
 29 Hoffman and Marjorie Weiss a total of \$2,600,000, and

30 WHEREAS, the City of Tallahassee has already paid a total
 31 of \$200,000 to Irving Hoffman and Marjorie Weiss, NOW,
 32 THEREFORE,

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34 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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36 Section 1. The facts stated in the preamble to this act
 37 are found and declared to be true.

38 Section 2. The City of Tallahassee is authorized and
 39 directed to appropriate from funds of the city not otherwise
 40 encumbered and to draw a warrant in the sum of \$2,400,000,
 41 payable to Irving Hoffman and Marjorie Weiss, as compensation
 42 for injuries and damages sustained due to the murder of their
 43 daughter, Rachel Hoffman.

44 Section 3. The amount awarded under this act is intended
 45 to provide the sole compensation for all present and future
 46 claims arising out of the factual situation described in this
 47 act which resulted in the death of Rachel Hoffman. The total
 48 amount paid for attorney fees, lobbying fees, costs, and other
 49 similar expenses relating to this claim may not exceed 15
 50 percent of the first \$1,000,000 awarded under this act, 10
 51 percent of the second \$1,000,000 awarded under this act, and 5
 52 percent of the remainder awarded under this act, for a total of
 53 \$270,000. However, taxable costs, which may not include attorney
 54 fees and lobbying fees, related to the underlying civil action
 55 may be collected in addition to the \$270,000.

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Section 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.