



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 486

LCO No. 2559

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Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by:
(JUD)

AN ACT CONCERNING SUPREME COURT AND APPELLATE COURT DECISIONS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2010*) (a) The Supreme Court shall
2 render a decision in any matter on which it hears oral argument not
3 later than one year after the date of such oral argument.

4 (b) If the Supreme Court fails to render a decision as provided in
5 subsection (a) of this section, the decision appealed from shall be
6 deemed affirmed.

7 (c) The parties in such matter may waive the provisions of
8 subsection (a) of this section.

9 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2010*) (a) The Appellate Court shall
10 render a decision in any matter on which it hears oral argument not
11 later than one year after the date of such oral argument.

12 (b) If the Appellate Court fails to render a decision as provided in
13 subsection (a) of this section, the decision appealed from shall be
14 deemed affirmed.

15 (c) The parties in such matter may waive the provisions of
16 subsection (a) of this section.

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| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: | | |
| Section 1 | <i>July 1, 2010</i> | New section |
| Sec. 2 | <i>July 1, 2010</i> | New section |

Statement of Purpose:

To require the Supreme Court and Appellate Court to render a decision in a case not later than one year after hearing oral argument.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]