



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 485

LCO No. 1819

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by:
SEN. CHAPIN, 30th Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE WAIVER OF COURT FEES IN ACTIONS
FILED BY INDIVIDUALS AGAINST MUNICIPALITIES, PUBLIC
OFFICIALS OR THE STATE.**

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

- 1 That section 52-259b of the general statutes be amended to provide
- 2 that prior to waiving court fees in any action filed by an individual
- 3 against a municipality, public official or the state, other than a habeas
- 4 corpus writ, the court shall review merits of the action and shall not
- 5 waive the payment of court fees unless the court makes a
- 6 determination that such action is not vexatious, provided that in the
- 7 event the court denies an application for a fee waiver, the individual
- 8 may appeal such denial to the Superior Court.

Statement of Purpose:

To reduce the number of vexatious actions filed by individuals against municipalities, public officials and the state and reduce taxpayer funding of such actions.