

Session 123 - (2019-2020)

S 0490 General Bill, By Turner, Corbin, Bennett and Shealy

Summary: Transparency in Private Attorney Contracts Act

A BILL TO ENACT THE "TRANSPARENCY IN PRIVATE ATTORNEY CONTRACTS ACT", TO AMEND CHAPTER 7, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL AND SOLICITORS, BY ADDING ARTICLE 2, TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE MAY NOT ENTER INTO CONTINGENCY FEE CONTRACTS WITHOUT A WRITTEN DETERMINATION BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, TO SET THE MAXIMUM FOR CONTINGENCY FEE CONTRACTS, TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS MUST BE MET DURING THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT, TO PROVIDE THAT THE ATTORNEY GENERAL SHALL ANNUALLY SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE, THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AND THE GOVERNOR DESCRIBING THE USE OF CONTINGENCY FEE CONTRACTS WITH PRIVATE ATTORNEYS IN THE PRECEDING CALENDAR YEAR, TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONTENTS OF THAT REPORT, AND TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS.

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