1st Sub. H.B. 503 Medical Malpractice Modifications

House Amendments

Amendment 1

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Representative **James A. Dunnigan** proposes the following amendments:

- 1. Line 59 through 62:
 - 59 (5) (a) A plaintiff may not pursue, collect, or execute on a judgment against an individual
 - health care provider's personal income or assets, unless the court finds that:
 - (i) the
 - provider's conduct was willful and malicious or intentionally fraudulent; or {-}
 - (ii) the defendant provider failed to maintain an insurnce policy with a policy limit of at least \$1,000,000.
 - (b) Prior to any award of damages to a plaintiff, a plaintiff may not make allegations that
- 2. Line 145 through 152:
 - made.
 - 146 {(3) For any award of damages related to a life care plan, the court may award damages for }
 - 147 {future estimated costs only if the court finds the costs are supported by clear and }
 - 148 {convincing evidence.}
 - [(3)] {(4)} (3) As used in this section, "inflation" means the seasonally adjusted consumer price
 - index for all urban consumers as published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the
 - 151 United States Department of Labor.
 - 152 [(4)] {(5)} (4) The limit under Subsection (1) does not apply to awards of punitive damages.