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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE BILL

No. 1503 Session of  
2019

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INTRODUCED BY F. KELLER AND ZIMMERMAN, MAY 22, 2019

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, MAY 22, 2019

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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the  
2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in particular rights and  
3 immunities, providing for fee shifting in civil actions.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Title 42 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
7 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:

8 § 8372. Fee shifting in civil actions.

9 When the defendant is the prevailing party in a civil action,  
10 the attorney for the plaintiff shall be ordered to pay all  
11 attorney fees and reasonable expenses of the defendant. The  
12 amount of fees and expenses due shall be determined by court  
13 order, upon petition of the defendant.

14 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.