HB 1059 2019

A bill to be entitled

An act relating to civil actions; creating s. 45.081, F.S.; requiring a party to a civil action to provide the other parties with certain agreements under which persons have a right to receive compensation contingent upon proceeds of the action; providing an effective date.

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Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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Section 1. Section 45.081, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

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45.081 Discovery; third-party agreements.—Except as otherwise stipulated to by the parties or ordered by the court, a party to any civil action shall, without awaiting a discovery request, provide to the other parties any agreement under which any person, other than an attorney permitted to charge a contingent fee for representing a party, has a right to receive compensation that is contingent upon and sourced from any proceeds of the civil action by settlement, judgment, or otherwise.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019.

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