



# House of Representatives

**File No. 943**

General Assembly

January Session, 2025

**(Reprint of File No. 792)**

Substitute House Joint Resolution No. 89  
As Amended by House Amendment  
Schedule "A"

Approved by the Legislative Commissioner  
May 21, 2025

**RESOLUTION GRANTING CAROLINE SKUDLAREK, EXECUTRIX OF  
THE ESTATE OF ALFONS SKUDLAREK, PERMISSION TO SUE THE  
STATE.**

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

1       Section 1. That the decision of the Claims Commissioner, file number  
2       26461 of said commissioner, ordering the denial of the claim against the  
3       state of Caroline Skudlarek, Executrix of the Estate of Alfons Skudlarek,  
4       is vacated and the General Assembly, having considered the claim,  
5       grants the claimant permission to sue the state only for the two  
6       enumerated claims of gross negligence presented to the Claims  
7       Commissioner, in accordance with the provisions of subsection (c) of  
8       section 4-159a of the general statutes. The claimant's action shall be  
9       brought not later than one year from the date of the final adoption by  
10      the General Assembly of this resolution.

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## **OFA Fiscal Note**

### **State Impact:**

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 26 \$	FY 27 \$
Comptroller - Adjudicated Claims Account	GF - Potential Cost	See Below	See Below

Note: GF=General Fund

### **Municipal Impact:** None

### **Explanation**

The resolution as amended allows the claimant Caroline Skudlarek, Executrix of the Estate of Alfons Skudlarek, to sue the state, only for the two enumerated claims of gross negligence presented to the Claims Commissioner, to recover damages as compensation for personal injury and/or property damage allegedly suffered totaling \$20,000 or more as set forth in said claim. Payout on the claim, were it to occur, would be made from the Comptroller's Adjudicated Claims account. The total cost to the state cannot be determined as the outcome of this future lawsuit is unknown.

The resolution also confirms the Claims Commissioners' denials of seven claims against the state and does not result in a fiscal impact.

House "A" allows the claimant Caroline Skudlarek, Executrix of the Estate of Alfons Skudlarek, to sue the state resulting in the fiscal impact described above.

### **The Out Years**

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to inflation.

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**OLR Bill Analysis**

**sHJ 89 (as amended by House "A")**

***RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE DECISION OF THE CLAIMS  
COMMISSIONER TO DENY CERTAIN CLAIMS AGAINST THE  
STATE.***

**SUMMARY**

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Resolutions.

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Judiciary Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 39    Nay 0    (04/10/2025)