

General Assembly

January Session, 2025

Proposed Bill No. 762



Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by: SEN. ANWAR, 3rd Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING A PLAINTIFF'S REJECTION OF AN OFFER OF COMPROMISE.

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

1 That section 52-195 of the general statutes be amended to require a 2 plaintiff to: (1) Pay all reasonable attorney's fees incurred by the 3 defendant or the defendant's insurer if an offer of compromise is filed 4 not later than eighteen months after the return date and the plaintiff fails 5 to recover more than the amount set forth in the offer of compromise; 6 and (2) provide a sufficient bond or enter into a recognizance to a 7 defendant with a financially responsible person to pay all costs 8 associated with the litigation when the plaintiff rejects the defendant's 9 offer of compromise.

Statement of Purpose:

To promote efficient litigation, reduce frivolous lawsuits and encourage the settlement of disputes by ensuring that cost responsibilities are clearly defined and enforceable.