

House Bill 4726

Sponsor: Rep. Ruth Ann Jamnick

Committee: Civil Law and the Judiciary

Complete to 6-18-01

A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4726 AS INTRODUCED 5-3-01

Civil actions to recover possession of real property (as in landlord-tenant disputes and in land contract forfeitures) are governed by Chapter 57, "Summary Proceedings to Recover Possession of Premises," of the Revised Judicature Act. In proceedings under Chapter 57, costs may be allowed in the same amounts as are provided by law in other civil actions in the same court, except that certain "sundry" costs do not apply. In addition, a court may also allow as taxable costs certain additional amounts, including costs for a judgment taken by default (up to \$15), and costs for a trial including both a claim for possession and a claim for money judgment (up to \$30). House Bill 4726 would amend this provision to increase allowable costs for a judgment taken by default to \$75, and for a trial including both a claim for possession and a claim for money judgment to \$150.

MCL 600.5759

House Bill 4726 (6-18-01)

Analyst: D. Martens

■ This analysis was prepared by nonpartisan House staff for use by House members in their deliberations, and does not constitute an official statement of legislative intent.