

**HB 2245 - DIGEST**

Authorizes the court that has jurisdiction in an action brought under Title 26 RCW (domestic relations) to award reasonable attorneys' fees and guardian ad litem fees incurred by one party as a result of overtrial of an issue or issues by the other party, upon written finding by the judge that one party's unreasonable approach to litigation caused the other party to incur extra and unnecessary fees.

Authorizes a party to file a motion seeking reasonable attorneys' fees and guardian ad litem fees with the court in which the overtrial occurs when the other party's overtrial of a family law issue or issues causes the party to incur unnecessary fees.