

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to tort claims against the state; amending
 3 s. 768.28, F.S.; providing a limitation on fees charged,
 4 demanded, received, or collected for services rendered for
 5 a tort claim against the state by an attorney, lobbyist,
 6 or other representative; providing that such limitation
 7 applies to the combined total of any judgment or
 8 settlement paid, including any amount paid by further act
 9 of the Legislature; providing an effective date.

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

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13 Section 1. Subsection (8) of section 768.28, Florida
 14 Statutes, is amended to read:

15 768.28 Waiver of sovereign immunity in tort actions;
 16 recovery limits; limitation on ~~attorney~~ fees; statute of
 17 limitations; exclusions; indemnification; risk management
 18 programs.--

19 (8) The combined total for all fees charged, demanded,
 20 received, or collected for all services rendered for a tort
 21 claim under this section by an attorney, lobbyist, or any other
 22 representative may not exceed ~~No attorney may charge, demand,~~
 23 ~~receive, or collect, for services rendered, fees in excess of~~ 25
 24 percent of the combined total of any judgment or settlement
 25 paid, including any amount paid by further act of the
 26 Legislature.

27 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005.