HB 1369 -- Actions Against Licensed Professionals

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This bill requires a plaintiff, in an action for damages in excess of \$3,000 against an individual or entity licensed by the state to practice a profession, to file an affidavit with the court stating that the plaintiff obtained the written opinion of a similarly licensed professional that the defendant failed to use the care a reasonably prudent and careful professional would have under similar circumstances. The affidavit should be filed within 90 days of the filing of the petition, unless an extension not to exceed an additional 90 days is granted. The case will be dismissed if the plaintiff or the plaintiff's attorney fails to file the affidavit.