

HB 1996 -- CIVIL ACTIONS

SPONSOR: Wilson

This bill specifies that an inmate or detainee in a county jail may not bring a civil action, except for a constitutional deprivation, until all administrative remedies are exhausted. If a claim is, on its face, frivolous or malicious, fails to state a claim upon which relief may be granted, or seeks monetary relief from a defendant who is immune from such relief, the court may dismiss the underlying claim without first requiring the exhaustion of administrative remedies. A civil action brought by an inmate or detainee in a county jail in a court of this state alleging a violation of federal law will be subject to all limitations on remedies established by federal law.