
DIGEST

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HB No. 220

Abstract: Requires certain information to be included in a petition regarding latent diseases.

Present law provides procedures regarding the form of civil petitions, including requirements as to the names of the parties, concise statements of all causes of action, the transaction or occurrence that is the subject matter of the litigation, and an address for receipt of service.

Proposed law retains present law and additionally requires petitions involving latent diseases to include as to each plaintiff and for each defendant, the time period, location, and types of products for each alleged exposure.

Proposed law provides that if a party is 70 years of age or older or if he has a medical condition and is not expected to live beyond six months, he shall be considered to have exigent circumstances.

(Adds C.C.P. Art. 891(C) and (D))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Civil Law and Procedure to the original bill.

1. Provides an exigent circumstances exception for persons at least 70 years of age and persons not likely to survive beyond six months.