

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AMENDMENTS TO H.B. 2021
(Reference to printed bill)

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert:

2 "Section 1. Title 12, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding
3 chapter 24, to read:

4 CHAPTER 24

5 VEXATIOUS LITIGANTS

6 ARTICLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

7 12-3201. Vexatious litigants; designation

8 A. IN A NONCRIMINAL CASE, AT THE REQUEST OF A PARTY OR ON THE COURT'S
9 OWN MOTION, THE PRESIDING JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT OR A JUDGE DESIGNATED
10 BY THE PRESIDING JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT MAY DESIGNATE A PRO SE LITIGANT
11 A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT.

12 B. A PRO SE LITIGANT WHO IS DESIGNATED A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT MAY NOT
13 FILE A NEW PLEADING, MOTION OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITHOUT PRIOR LEAVE OF THE
14 COURT.

15 C. A PRO SE LITIGANT IS A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT IF THE COURT FINDS THE
16 PRO SE LITIGANT ENGAGED IN VEXATIOUS CONDUCT. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS
17 SECTION VEXATIOUS CONDUCT INCLUDES:

18 1. REPEATED FILING OF LITIGATION SOLELY OR PRIMARILY FOR THE PURPOSE
19 OF HARASSMENT.

20 2. UNREASONABLY EXPANDING OR DELAYING COURT PROCEEDINGS.

21 3. COURT ACTIONS BROUGHT OR DEFENDED WITHOUT SUBSTANTIAL
22 JUSTIFICATION.

23 4. ENGAGING IN ABUSE OF DISCOVERY.

24 5. A PATTERN OF MAKING UNREASONABLE, REPETITIVE OR EXCESSIVE REQUESTS
25 FOR INFORMATION.

26 6. REPEATED FILING OF DOCUMENTS OR REQUESTS FOR RELIEF THAT HAVE BEEN
27 THE SUBJECT OF PREVIOUS RULINGS BY THE COURT IN THE SAME LITIGATION."

28 Amend title to conform

and, as so amended, it do pass

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Chairman