

**624.18 Designation and calculation of damages.**

1. In all actions where the plaintiff recovers a sum of money, the amount to which the plaintiff is entitled may be awarded the plaintiff by the judgment generally, without any distinction being therein made as to whether such sum is recovered by way of debt or damages.

2. In all personal injury actions where the plaintiff recovers a sum of money that, according to special verdict, is intended, in whole or in part, to address the future damages of the plaintiff, that portion of the judgment that reflects the future damages shall be adjusted by the court or the finder of fact to reflect the present value of the sum.

3. Under no circumstances shall there be a reduction to present value more than one time by either the trier of fact or the court.

[R60, §3144; C73, §2862; C97, §3782; C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, §11580; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §624.18]

[97 Acts, ch 197, §9, 16](#)

Referred to in [§602.8102\(98\)](#), [668.3](#)