

718C.7 Civil immunity for and indemnification of local government officials, employees, and contractors.

1. Except as provided by [subsection 4](#), a local government official, employee, or contractor is immune from liability for damages arising from a cause of action under state law resulting from an action taken by the official, employee, or contractor to enforce [this chapter](#) during the course and scope of the official's, employee's, or contractor's office, employment, or contractual performance for or service on behalf of the local government.

2. Subject to [subsection 3](#) and except as provided by [subsection 4](#), a local government shall indemnify an official, employee, or contractor of the local government for damages arising from a cause of action under federal law resulting from an action taken by the official, employee, or contractor to enforce [this chapter](#) during the course and scope of the official's, employee's, or contractor's office, employment, or contractual performance for or service on behalf of the local government.

3. Indemnification payments made under [subsection 2](#) by a local government shall not exceed the following:

a. One hundred thousand dollars to any one person or three hundred thousand dollars for any single occurrence in the case of personal injury or death.

b. Ten thousand dollars for a single occurrence of property damage.

4. [Subsections 1 and 2](#) do not apply if the court or jury determines that the local government official, employee, or contractor acted in bad faith, with conscious indifference, or with recklessness.

5. A local government shall indemnify an official, employee, or contractor of the local government for reasonable attorney fees incurred in defense of a criminal prosecution against the official, employee, or contractor for an action taken by the official, employee, or contractor to enforce [this chapter](#) during the course and scope of the official's, employee's, or contractor's office, employment, or contractual performance for or service on behalf of the local government.

6. [This section](#) shall not be construed to waive any statutory limits on damages under state law.

[2024 Acts, ch 1020, §7](#)

Referred to in [§718C.9](#)

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