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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to jury notifications of attorney compensation
2 and litigation financing.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 624.21 Jury notification of
2 attorney funding.

3 Prior to deliberation, a civil trial jury shall be notified
4 if a party's attorney's compensation is contingent upon a
5 damages awards, the percentage of a damages award an attorney
6 will receive, and whether a litigation financier has provided
7 funding for the case.

8 EXPLANATION

9 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
10 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

11 This bill provides for jury notification of attorney
12 compensation and litigation financing. The bill requires
13 that the jury is informed of whether the attorney is being
14 compensated by a percentage of a potential damages award and
15 if there has been a litigation financier funding the case on
16 behalf of the party.