

The addition of this new right and the creation of the related cause of action are not expected to have a direct fiscal effect on either the state or on political subdivisions. Several staff members of the Judicial Conference of Ohio have indicated that this bill does not impose a cost upon the court system. A sampling of Ohio judges suggested that little, if any, additional cases would be generated by this new cause of action. Any additional cases are not expected to impose a fiscal impact since the number of cases would be too small to affect the overall staffing or operation of any of the courts. However, the judges did indicate that the creation of a new cause of action would initially slow down the speed of the courts where the first few cases could be filed. The movement into a new area of law for Ohio would be slow, as judges are usually extremely cautious in cases based on new causes of action.

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