

## 100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2017 and 2018 SB0723

Introduced 1/30/2017, by Sen. Jil Tracy

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

735 ILCS 5/Art. VIII, Pt. 29 heading new 735 ILCS 5/8-2901 new

Amends the Code of Civil Procedure. Provides that in any case in which the plaintiff makes a claim based upon exposure to asbestos, the following issues are relevant to the determination of liability and damages: (1) whether the plaintiff had exposure to any asbestos manufactured by, processed by, or otherwise associated with any entity other than the defendant; (2) whether the plaintiff's exposure to asbestos was to asbestos exclusively manufactured by, processed by, or otherwise associated with the defendant; and (3) whether there is a causal relationship between the plaintiff's alleged injuries and the asbestos manufactured by, processed by, or otherwise associated with the defendant. Provides that the court shall allow the parties to present evidence concerning these issues and that the trier of fact shall determine liability and damages based on these issues, together with any other relevant issues. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning civil law.

2	Be	it	enacted	by	the	People	of	the	State	of	Illinois,
3	represe	nte	d in the (	Gene	eral A	ssembly	<b>'</b> :				

- Section 5. The Code of Civil Procedure is amended by adding

  Part 29 to Article VIII as follows:
- 6 (735 ILCS 5/Art. VIII, Pt. 29 heading new)
- 7 <u>Part 29. Asbestos</u>
- 8 (735 ILCS 5/8-2901 new)
- 9 <u>Sec. 8-2901. Asbestos. In any case in which the plaintiff</u>
  10 <u>makes a claim based upon exposure to asbestos, the following</u>
  11 <u>issues are relevant to the determination of liability and</u>
  12 damages:
- 13 (1) whether the plaintiff had exposure to any asbestos

  14 manufactured by, processed by, or otherwise associated

  15 with any entity other than the defendant;
- (2) whether the plaintiff's exposure to asbestos was to
  asbestos exclusively manufactured by, processed by, or
  otherwise associated with the defendant; and
- (3) whether there is a causal relationship between the
  plaintiff's alleged injuries and the asbestos manufactured
  by, processed by, or otherwise associated with the
  defendant.

- 1 The court shall allow the parties to present evidence
- 2 <u>concerning these issues</u>, and the trier of fact shall determine
- 3 liability and damages based on these issues, together with any
- 4 other relevant issues.
- 5 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 6 becoming law.