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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently, frivolous lawsuits are being filed. As proposed, S.B. 385 adds to the Civil Practice and Remedies Code the right to an interlocutory appeal, if a judge has denied a motion for sanctions for frivolous pleadings, motions, or actions.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 51.014(a), Civil Practice and Remedies Code, to authorize a person to appeal from an interlocutory order of a district court, county court at law, or county court that denies a motion under Section 10.002 for sanctions against a frivolous pleading or motion.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2003. Makes application of this Act prospective.