Bill Summary

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Bill Analysis

SB 1951 authorizes the court to designate a person as a vexatious litigant upon receiving a filed motion by a person granted a protective order under the Protection from Domestic Abuse Act. A person shall be considered a vexatious litigant if he or she is the subject of a protective order and have commenced, prosecuted, or maintained one or more civil court cases against the person protected by the protective order. If a person is deemed as a vexatious litigant, he or she shall seek leave from the chief presiding judge of the district court for approval to file an action against a person granted a protective order. A person who violates the provisions of this measure may be held in contempt and sanctioned by the court as well as liable to the opposing party for court costs and reasonable attorney fees.

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