

Senate Finance  
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Amendment to HB 2-FN-A-LOCAL

1       1 Youth Development Center Claims Administration and Settlement Fund; Attorney's Fees;  
2 Periodic Payment. Amend RSA 21-M:11-a, XV to read as follows:

3           XV. The administrator may approve all fees and costs of attorneys who represent claimants  
4 in proceedings before the administrator. The administrator shall not approve any request of an  
5 attorney for fees or costs which are not reasonable. The administrator shall not approve an  
6 attorney's fee in excess of 33.33 percent of the amount of the award. All costs and attorney's fees  
7 paid to a claimant's attorney shall be paid from the amount awarded to the claimant. *Whenever the*  
8 *administrator determines that a claim shall be paid in periodic payments pursuant to*  
9 *subparagraph XII(a), the administrator shall require that any attorney's fee approved*  
10 *under this paragraph be paid in equal installments and over the same number of years as*  
11 *the periodic payment schedule that is applicable to the amount awarded to the claimant.*  
12 *The administrator shall add an interest assessment of 5 percent of the remaining unpaid*  
13 *amount of the fee per annum for each year of repayment, which shall be compounded*  
14 *annually.*

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

Add:

1. Requires that any attorney's fee approved for a claim that is to be paid according to a periodic payment schedule also be paid according to that periodic payment schedule.