

44-1799.06. Contested actions; procedures

- A. If a pet dealer contests a demand for remedies, the pet dealer may require the purchaser to produce the cat or dog for examination by a veterinarian who is licensed pursuant to title 32, chapter 21 unless the cat or dog has died. The pet dealer shall pay the costs of examination.
- B. If the purchaser and the pet dealer are unable to reach an agreement within thirty days after the pet dealer receives the veterinarian statement or the veterinarian receives the cat or dog for examination, whichever is later, the purchaser may file an action in a court of competent jurisdiction or the parties may agree in writing to submit to binding arbitration.
- C. The prevailing party in the action shall be awarded reasonable attorney fees if the other party acted in bad faith in seeking or denying the requested remedy.