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Brief Description: Authorizing award of attorneys' fees to private defendants who prevail over governmental plaintiffs.

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Provides that whenever a private defendant prevails in a civil action brought by a governmental plaintiff, the court shall require the governmental plaintiff to pay the prevailing private defendant the reasonable expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees, incurred in defending the action.