

2015 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 29

BY REPRESENTATIVE REYNOLDS

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

CIVIL/JURY TRIALS: Provides relative to the jurisdictional limitation of certain city courts

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact Code of Civil Procedure Article 4843(G) and (H), relative to courts
3 of limited jurisdiction; to provide for the jurisdictional amount in dispute in certain
4 city courts; to provide for the jurisdictional amount in dispute in the city courts of
5 Franklin; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. Code of Civil Procedure Article 4843(G) and (H) is hereby amended and
8 reenacted to read as follows:

9 Art. 4843. City court jurisdiction; amount in dispute; injunctive actions by state or
10 political subdivision

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12 G. In the City Court of Abbeville, the City Court of Baker, the City Court
13 of Baton Rouge, the City Court of Kaplan, the City Court of Leesville, the City Court
14 of Minden, the City Court of Plaquemine, the City Court of Shreveport, the City
15 Court of Springhill, and the City Court of Zachary, the civil jurisdiction is concurrent
16 with the district court in cases where the amount in dispute, or the value of the
17 property involved, does not exceed thirty-five thousand dollars.

18 H. In the City Court of Alexandria, the Third Ward City Court of Franklin,
19 the City Court of Pineville, the City Court of Slidell, and the City Court of Ruston,
20 the civil jurisdiction is concurrent with the district court in cases where the amount

1 in dispute, or the value of the property involved does not exceed fifty thousand
2 dollars.

DIGEST

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HB 29 Reengrossed

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Abstract: Changes the jurisdictional amount in dispute in the Third Ward City Court of Franklin from \$35,000 to \$50,000.

Present law provides that in the city courts of Alexandria, Pineville, Slidell, and Ruston, the civil jurisdiction is concurrent with the district court in cases where the amount in dispute, or the value of the property involved, does not exceed \$50,000.

Proposed law retains present law and adds the requirement that in the Third Ward City Court of Franklin the jurisdictional amount in dispute or value of property does not exceed \$50,000.

(Amends C.C.P. Art. 4843(G) and (H))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by HouseThe House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Remove proposed law provision that changes the civil jurisdictional amount in dispute for the city courts of Minden and Springhill from \$50,000 to \$35,000.
2. Provide that the civil jurisdictional amount in dispute shall not exceed \$50,000 for the Third Ward City Court of Franklin.