

HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

HB 525

2016 Regular Session

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CIVIL/VENUE: Provides relative to venue in certain proceedings involving abuse

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Makes technical bureau amendments.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

Present law provides that any court in this state empowered to hear family or juvenile matters shall have jurisdiction over domestic abuse proceedings.

Present law provides that venue is proper in the parish where: (1) the marital domicile is located or where the household is located; (2) the defendant resides; (3) the abuse is alleged to have been committed; (4) the petitioner resides; or (5) an action for annulment of marriage or for a divorce could be brought under present law.

Proposed law provides that in a judicial district comprised of multiple parishes, if a court determines that it is in the interest of justice to afford the parties a more expeditious hearing than current docketing scheduling would permit, or to comply with the time provisions provided for by present law, a judge or hearing officer may conduct a hearing in any parish within the judicial district.

(Amends R.S. 46:2133(C); Adds R.S. 46:2133(D))