

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 299

BY REPRESENTATIVE MELERINE

COURTS: Provides relative to the filing of jury bonds by person, mail, or commercial courier

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact Code of Civil Procedure Article 253(B)(3)(introductory paragraph)
3 and to enact Code of Civil Procedure Article 253(B)(3)(e), relative to documents
4 filed in court; to provide for the filing of a jury bond in person, by United States
5 mail, or by commercial courier; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. Code of Civil Procedure Article 253(B)(3)(introductory paragraph) is
8 hereby amended and reenacted and Code of Civil Procedure Article 253(B)(3)(e) is hereby
9 enacted to read as follows:

10 Art. 253. Pleadings, documents, and exhibits to be filed with clerk

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12 B.

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14 (3) Notwithstanding the provisions of Subparagraph (2) of this Paragraph,
15 the following original documents may be filed in paper form, either in person, by
16 ~~U.S. mail~~ United States Postal Service, or by commercial courier:

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18 (e) A jury bond.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides for the filing of a jury bond in person, by U.S. mail, or commercial courier.

Present law provides for the filing of documents in court in person or by electronic form. Further provides that certain documents may be filed in person, by U.S. mail, or commercial courier.

Proposed law retains present law and extends the permissible filing by person, by U.S. mail, or commercial courier to jury bonds.

(Amends C.C.P Art. 253(B)(3)(intro. para.); Adds C.C.P. Art. 253(B)(3)(e))