DIGEST

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Heitmeier SB No. 544

<u>Present law</u> provides that the Second City Court of the city of New Orleans has civil jurisdiction in cases where the amount does not exceed \$20,000.

Proposed law provides such jurisdiction in cases that do not exceed \$25,000.

Present law authorizes district court clerks to issue and collect fees for certain vital records.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and authorizes the clerk for the Second City Court of the city of New Orleans to issue and collect fees for certain vital records.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the state registrar promulgate rules necessary for the implementation of the provisions of <u>proposed law</u> no later than Jan. 1, 2015.

Effective August 1, 2014.

(Amends R.S. 13:2151.4(D) and (E) and R.S. 40:39.1(A)(intro. para.), 39.1(A)(1), (B)(1), (C), and (D); Adds R.S. 13:2151.4(F))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Judiciary A to the original bill

1. Changed \$35,000 to \$25,000.

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Repeals the prohibition against judges of the City Court of Monroe from engaging in the practice of law.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Judiciary</u> to the <u>reengrossed</u> bill.

1. Deleted provision authorizing judges of the City Court of Monroe to engage in the practice of law.