

SENATE SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 1

2024 Third Extraordinary Session

Morris

KEYWORD AND SUMMARY AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

COURTS. Constitutional amendment to provide for jurisdiction of courts. (2/3-CA13s1(A)) (Item#20)

SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO THE SENATE BILL

1. Change the ballot language.

DIGEST OF THE SENATE BILL AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

SB 1 Reengrossed

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Present constitution grants the supreme court exclusive original jurisdiction of disciplinary proceedings against a member of the bar.

Proposed constitutional amendment retains present constitution provision but further grants the court original jurisdiction for proceedings against any lawyer specially admitted by a court of this state for a particular proceeding, and any lawyer not admitted in this state who practices law or renders or offers to render any legal services in this state.

Present constitution authorizes the legislature to establish trial courts of limited jurisdiction having parishwide territorial jurisdiction and subject matter jurisdiction throughout the state.

Proposed constitutional amendment authorizes establishment of trial courts of limited or specialized jurisdiction by law enacted by two-thirds of the elected members of each house of the legislature.

Present constitution provides that district courts have exclusive original jurisdiction of felony cases and cases involving title to immovable property, except family court jurisdiction involving movable and immovable property cases related to partition of community property and settlement of claims arising from matrimonial regimes in divorce or annulment proceedings.

Proposed constitutional amendment retains present constitution provision but specifically provides that except as authorized in the constitution, the district court has exclusive original jurisdiction involving felony cases and cases involving immovable property as provided in the present constitution.

Specifies submission of the amendment to the voters at the statewide election to be held on March 29, 2025, or at another statewide election authorized by law, whichever occurs first.

(Amends Const. Art. V, Sec. 5(B), 15(A), and 16(A))

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