

HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

House Bill No. 1150 by Representative Hunter

CIVIL/PLEADINGS: Provides with respect to facsimile filings

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Deletes provision requiring a party or his counsel of record who files any subsequent pleading with the court by facsimile transmission to file the original signed document with the clerk within seven days or at his next court appearance in the suit, whichever is earlier.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

Present law provides that any paper in a civil action may be filed with the court by facsimile transmission, and that such filing shall be deemed complete at the time that the facsimile transmission is received and a receipt of transmission has been transmitted to the sender by the clerk of court.

Present law requires the party filing the document to forward, within five days, the following to the clerk: (1) the original signed document; (2) the applicable filing fee, if any; and (3) a transmission fee of \$5.

Proposed law changes the time period within which a party shall file an original with the court from five days to seven days.

(Amends R.S. 13:850(B)(intro. para.))