

Regular Session, 2010  
HOUSE BILL NO. 509  
BY REPRESENTATIVE LORUSSO

# ACT No. 472

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 33:1373(D) and 1374(D) and to enact R.S. 13:2493.1(D),  
3 relative to providing concurrent jurisdiction of the Municipal Court of New Orleans  
4 with the Civil District Court for the parish of Orleans over certain environmental and  
5 blighted property issues; to provide for a special environmental docket for the  
6 Housing and Environmental Court Division of the Municipal Court of New Orleans;  
7 to authorize summary proceedings; and to provide for related matters.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. R.S. 13:2493.1(D) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

10 §2493.1. Housing Court division; jurisdiction; powers of judge; environmental  
11 docket

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13 D.(1) The jurisdiction of the Municipal Court of New Orleans, the Housing  
14 and Environmental Court Division of the Municipal Court of New Orleans shall  
15 extend to the trial of violations of an ordinance of the city of New Orleans and the  
16 violations of state statutes which are not triable by a jury for criminal prosecutions  
17 provided in R.S. 14:107.3, and any other authority provided by law or home rule  
18 charter for the civil enforcement of health, safety, and welfare ordinances, including  
19 but not limited to the authority provided in R.S. 13:2575 for administrative  
20 adjudication for violations of public health, housing, fire code, environmental  
21 building code, zoning, historic district, permitting vegetation, and nuisance  
22 ordinances, as provided for and defined in R.S. 33:1374. In Orleans Parish, the  
23 public authority may enforce health, safety, and welfare statutes or ordinances or  
24 otherwise seek to eliminate blighted property, unsafe structures and equipment,  
25 unlawful structures and structures unfit for human occupancy, housing violations, or  
26 public nuisances additionally in the Municipal Court of New Orleans.

CODING: Words in ~~struck through~~ type are deletions from existing law; words underscored are additions.

