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HOUSE BILL NO. 749

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COURTS: Authorizes the Twenty-Fourth Judicial District Court to assign certain divisions to handle certain matters

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 13:587.5, relative to the Twenty-Fourth Judicial District; to authorize the
3 assignment of certain divisions or sections of court to handle certain matters; to
4 require that all divisions retain general jurisdiction; and to provide for related
5 matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 13:587.5 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §587.5. Twenty-Fourth Judicial District; divisions; subject matter

9 A. Respecting seniority and the requirement that all cases be assigned
10 randomly within multi-judge sections, the judges of the Twenty-Fourth Judicial
11 District Court, by rule adopted by a majority vote of the judges sitting en banc, may
12 assign certain divisions of the court to a criminal section and certain divisions to a
13 civil, drug court, driving while intoxicated court, mental health court, juvenile, or
14 other section of the court.

15 B. Notwithstanding any principal assignment to sections, all divisions of the
16 court shall retain general jurisdiction to hear all matters.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Authorizes the 24th JDC to assign certain divisions to hear certain matters.

Proposed law authorizes judges from the 24th JDC to assign certain divisions or sections of the court with subject matter jurisdiction over criminal, civil, drug court, driving while intoxicated court, mental health court, juvenile, or other specialized subject matter jurisdiction.

Proposed law requires all divisions to retain general jurisdiction to hear all matters.

(Adds R.S. 13:587.5)