SLS 12RS-456

Regular Session, 2012

SENATE BILL NO. 457

BY SENATOR PERRY

COURTS. Provides relative to the jurisdiction of certain city courts. (8/1/12)

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact Code of Civil Procedure Article 4843 (E) and (G), relative to city
3	courts; to provide relative to jurisdiction; to increase the civil jurisdictional
4	maximum amount in dispute in the city courts of Abbeville and Kaplan.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. Code of Civil Procedure Article 4843 (E) and (G) are hereby amended
7	and reenacted to read as follows:
8	Art. 4843. City court jurisdiction; amount in dispute; injunctive actions by state of
9	political subdivision
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11	E. In the City Court of Abbeville, the City Court of Bogalusa, the City Court
12	of Bunkie, the City Court of Eunice, the City Court of Kaplan, the City Court of
13	Lake Charles, the City Court of Marksville, the City Court of Natchitoches, a city
14	court in New Orleans, the City Court of Opelousas, the City Court of Plaquemine,
15	the City Court of Port Allen, the City Court of Shreveport, the City Court of Sulphur,
16	and the City Court of Winnsboro, the civil jurisdiction is concurrent with the district
17	court in cases where the amount in dispute, or the value of the property involved,

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1	does not exceed twenty-five thousand dollars.
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3	G. In the City Court of Abbeville, the City Court of Baker, the City Court
4	of Baton Rouge, the City Court of Kaplan, the City Court of Leesville, the City
5	Court of Minden, the City Court of Springhill, the City Court of Slidell, and the City
6	Court of Zachary, civil jurisdiction is concurrent with the district court in cases
7	where the amount in dispute, or the value of the property involved, does not exceed
8	thirty-five thousand dollars.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Julie J. Baxter.

DIGEST

Perry (SB 457)

<u>Present law</u> provides that the city courts of Abbeville and Kaplan have civil jurisdiction concurrent with the district court where the amount in dispute or the value of property involved does not exceed \$25,000.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the city courts of Abbeville and Kaplan have civil jurisdiction concurrent with the district court where the amount in dispute or the value of the property involved does not exceed \$35,000.

Effective August 1, 2012.

(Amends C.C.P. Art. 4843(E) and (G))