

SENATE BILL NO. 7

BY SENATOR QUINN

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact Children's Code Articles 312(B) and 407(A), relative to provisions
3 of the Children's Code which are limited in applicability to certain political
4 subdivisions or local areas based upon population classifications; to specify
5 applicability to one or more political subdivisions or local areas; and to provide for
6 related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. Children's Code Articles 312(B) and 407(A) are hereby amended and
9 reenacted to read as follows:

10 Art. 312. Juvenile jurisdiction over adults; criminal proceedings

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12 B.(1) ~~In any parish with a population of three hundred fifty thousand or more~~
13 **East Baton Rouge Parish and Jefferson Parish**, jurisdiction pursuant to
14 Subparagraphs ~~A~~(A)(1) and (3) of this Article is vested in the district court, ~~or, in the~~
15 ~~parish of Orleans, in the criminal district court for that parish or the Municipal Court~~
16 ~~of New Orleans.~~

17 **(2) In Orleans Parish, jurisdiction pursuant to Subparagraphs (A)(1)**
18 **and (3) of this Article is vested in the criminal district court for that parish or**
19 **the Municipal Court of New Orleans.**

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21 Art. 407. Confidentiality of hearings

22 A. With the exceptions of delinquency proceedings pursuant to Article 879,
23 child support proceedings, traffic violations pursuant to Chapter 2 of Title IX in
24 ~~parishes with a population between three hundred eighty thousand and four hundred~~
25 ~~thousand~~ **East Baton Rouge Parish**, and misdemeanor trials of adults pursuant to

1 Chapter 4 of Title XV, proceedings before the juvenile court shall not be public.
2 However, the court shall allow the proceedings to be open to the public when the
3 alleged delinquent act committed by the child would be considered a crime of
4 violence as defined in R.S. 14:2(B), or when the alleged delinquent act would be a
5 second or subsequent felony-grade adjudication.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____