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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 16

BY SENATOR ROBERT MILLS

COURTS. Suspends certain provisions of law relative to the jury trial threshold. (Item #40)

1	A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
2	To suspend until sixty days after final adjournment of the 2021 Regular Session of the
3	Legislature of Louisiana the Code of Civil Procedure Article 1732(1) relative to the
4	jury trial threshold for a petitioner's cause of action.
5	WHEREAS, Article III, Section 20 of the Constitution of Louisiana provides that
6	only the legislature may suspend a law; and
7	WHEREAS, Code of Civil Procedure Article 1732(1) provides that a jury trial is not
8	available in suits where no individual petitioner's cause of action exceeds fifty thousand
9	dollars exclusive of interest and costs; and
10	WHEREAS, substantial revisions to Code of Civil Procedure Article 1732(1) are
11	required in order to achieve the goals of the Legislature of Louisiana concerning tort reform
12	and lowering of motor vehicle insurance premiums; and
13	WHEREAS, the purpose of this Resolution is to allow the Legislature of Louisiana
14	additional opportunity to make necessary revisions to Code of Civil Procedure Article
15	1732(1).
16	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana hereby suspends
17	the provisions of Code of Civil Procedure Article 1732(1).
18	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this suspension shall become effective upon

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adoption of this Resolution and shall extend through the sixtieth day after final adjournment

of the 2021 Regular Session of the Legislature of Louisiana.

The original instrument was prepared by Carla S. Roberts. The following digest, which does not constitute a part of the legislative instrument, was prepared by Margaret M. Corley.

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Effective through the 60th day following final adjournment of the 2021 Regular Session, suspends C.C.P. 1732(1) relative to the jury trial threshold requirement for causes of action exceeding \$50,000.

(Suspends C.C.P. 1732(1))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Judiciary A to the original bill

1. Makes technical changes.