

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 28

BY REPRESENTATIVE MUSCARELLO

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact Code of Civil Procedure Article 4844, relative to the City Court of  
3 Hammond; to provide for the jurisdictional amount in certain eviction proceedings;  
4 and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. Code of Civil Procedure Article 4844 is hereby amended and reenacted  
7 to read as follows:

8 Art. 4844. Amount in dispute; eviction proceedings

9 A. Except as otherwise provided in this Article, a parish court or city court  
10 shall have jurisdiction, concurrent with the district court, over suits by owners and  
11 landlords for the possession of leased premises as follows:

12 (1) When the lease is by the day and the daily rental is one hundred fifty  
13 dollars or less.

14 (2) When the lease is by the week and the weekly rental is five hundred  
15 dollars or less.

16 (3) When the lease is by the month and the monthly rental is three thousand  
17 dollars or less.

18 (4) When the lease is by the year and the annual rental is thirty-six thousand  
19 dollars or less.

20 (5) When the suit is to evict an occupant as defined by Article 4704, if the  
21 annual value of the right of occupancy does not exceed the amount in dispute to

1           which the jurisdiction of the court is limited by Articles 4842 and 4843 or as to the  
2           amounts set forth in Subparagraphs (3) and (4) of this Paragraph.

3           ~~(6)~~ B. In the City Court of East St. Tammany, the city court shall have the  
4           same jurisdictional limit for possession of leased premises in eviction proceedings  
5           as provided for in Article 4912 for justice of the peace courts.

6           C. In the City Court of Hammond, the city court shall have jurisdiction over  
7           suits by owners and landlords for the possession of leased premises when the lease  
8           is by the month and the monthly rental is five thousand dollars or less.

9           ~~B.~~ D. In computing the jurisdictional amount for purposes of eviction suits,  
10          the daily, weekly, monthly, annual, or other rental provided by the lease, exclusive  
11          of interest, penalties, or attorney fees, shall determine the amount in dispute.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_