

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2024 Regular Session

Substitute for Original House Bill No. 359 by Representative Deshotel as proposed by the House Committee on Judiciary

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To enact R.S. 13:2586(C)(7), relative to justice of the peace courts in Avoyelles Parish; to provide relative to jurisdiction and procedures; to provide for jurisdiction over property standards and nuisance violations; to provide relative to summons and subpoenas by constables; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 13:2586(C)(7) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§2586. Jurisdiction and procedure

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(7) A justice of the peace court in Avoyelles Parish shall have concurrent jurisdiction over property standards and nuisance violations anywhere in the parish which the court is situated, pursuant to local ordinance. In addition, a constable of a justice of the peace court in Avoyelles Parish may issue summons and serve subpoenas for such violations occurring anywhere within the territorial jurisdiction of the justice of the peace court.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides for the jurisdiction of justice of the peace courts in Avoyelles Parish.

Present law provides that the justice of the peace courts in Caddo Parish shall have concurrent jurisdiction with district courts over property standards violations in the district. Provides further that a constable of a justice of a peace court in Caddo Parish may issue summons and serve subpoenas for violations that occur in the district.

Present law provides that a constable of a justice of a peace court in St. Tammany Parish may issue summons and serve subpoenas for violations that occur anywhere within St. Tammany Parish for a property standards or nuisance violation. Provides further that the justice of the peace courts in St. Tammany Parish shall have concurrent jurisdiction with district courts over property standards and nuisance violations, with the exclusion of certain wards.

Proposed law retains present law and provides that a justice of the peace court in Avoyelles Parish shall have concurrent jurisdiction over property standards and nuisance violations anywhere in the parish which the court is situated. Provides further that a constable of a justice of the peace court in Avoyelles Parish may issue summons and serve subpoenas for such violations occurring anywhere within the territorial jurisdiction of the justice of the peace court.

(Adds R.S. 13:2586(C)(7))