
DIGEST

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Abstract: Increases the jurisdiction of justice of the peace courts to \$8,000 for civil claims in parishes with a population of less than 26,000 persons.

Present law provides that the justice of the peace courts have concurrent jurisdiction with the district courts in cases where the amount in dispute does not exceed \$5,000.

Proposed law retains present law but increases the amount from \$5,000 to \$8,000 in parishes having a population of less than 26,000 people.

Proposed law exempts parishes from the increase if the parish has a municipal, city, or parish court.

(Adds C.C.P. Art. 4911(D))