## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Allows suits filed in district court seeking protections from stalking to be referred to municipal and parish courts.

<u>Present law</u> provides that any district court which is empowered to hear civil matters shall have jurisdiction over proceedings seeking protections available in cases dealing with stalking and cyberstalking. <u>Proposed law</u> further grants jurisdiction over such cases to parish and municipal courts.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that if during such a proceeding a district court is presented with facts that it considers more appropriate for consideration in a parish or municipal court, the court may order the referral of the case to a parish or municipal court.

(Amends R.S. 46:2171.1)