

2020 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 730

BY REPRESENTATIVE WILFORD CARTER

CIVIL/JURIES: Provides for increasing the jury trial threshold

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact Code of Civil Procedure Article 1732(1), relative to jury trials; to
3 provide for the jury trial threshold; to provide for increasing certain monetary
4 threshold amounts; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. Code of Civil Procedure Article 1732(1) is hereby amended and reenacted
7 to read as follows:

8 Art. 1732. Limitation upon jury trials

9 A trial by jury shall not be available in:

10 (1) A suit where the amount of no individual petitioner's cause of action
11 exceeds ~~fifty~~ one hundred thousand dollars exclusive of interest and costs, except as
12 follows:

13 (a) If an individual petitioner stipulates or otherwise judicially admits sixty
14 days or more prior to trial that the amount of the individual petitioner's cause of
15 action does not exceed ~~fifty~~ one hundred thousand dollars exclusive of interest and
16 costs, a defendant shall not be entitled to a trial by jury.

17 (b) If an individual petitioner stipulates or otherwise judicially admits for the
18 first time less than sixty days prior to trial that the amount of the individual
19 petitioner's cause of action does not exceed ~~fifty~~ one hundred thousand dollars
20 exclusive of interest and costs, any other party may retain the right to a trial by jury

