

Regular Session, 2001

ACT No. 418

HOUSE BILL NO. 763

BY REPRESENTATIVES HUNTER, KATZ, MCDONALD, THOMPSON,
AND WALSWORTH AND SENATORS BARHAM, ELLINGTON,
AND C. D. JONES

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 13:587.2, relative to the Fourth Judicial District Court; to authorize the judges by court rule to assign matters to be heard by specified divisions; and to provide for related matters.

Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published as provided by Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of Louisiana.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 13:587.2 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§587.2. Fourth Judicial District; divisions; subject matter

A. Respecting seniority and the requirement that all cases be assigned randomly within multi-judge sections, the judges of the Fourth Judicial District Court, by rule adopted by a majority vote of the judges sitting en banc, may assign certain divisions of the court to a criminal section and certain divisions to a civil, drug court, juvenile, or other section of the court.

B. No rule adopted by the court may assign any division, without its consent, to any section for a longer period than three years.

C. Notwithstanding any principal assignment to sections, all divisions of the court shall retain general jurisdiction to hear all matters.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____