

HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

House Bill No. 1181 by Representative Shadoin

CIVIL/JURY TRIALS: Provides relative to the jurisdictional limitation of certain city courts

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Authorizes judges for the city court of Monroe to practice law.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

Present law provides that in the city courts of Alexandria, Pineville, Slidell, and Ruston, the civil jurisdiction is concurrent with the district court in cases where the amount in dispute, or the value of the property involved, does not exceed the amount provided in Article 1732(1) for purposes of demanding a jury trial, which is \$50,000 pursuant to present law.

Proposed law sets the jurisdictional amount in dispute at \$50,000 and removes the reference to the amount in dispute provided by Article 1732(1).

Present law provides for three judgeships for the city court of Monroe, domiciled in the city of Monroe, parish of Ouachita, and prohibits such judges from practicing law.

Proposed law authorizes the judges for the city court of Monroe to practice law.

(Amends C.C.P. Art. 4843(H) and R.S. 13:1952(15)(a); Repeals R.S. 13:1875(10)(C))