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HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Connick to Engrossed House Resolution No. 156
by Representative Connick

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 2, after "To" and before "the" change "authorize and direct" to "urge and
3 request"

4 AMENDMENT NO. 2

5 On page 2, line 10, after "and" delete the remainder of the line and insert "Louisiana has a
6 fifty thousand dollar threshold; and"

7 AMENDMENT NO. 3

8 On page 2, delete lines 11 through 14 in their entirety and insert the following:

9 "WHEREAS, the current monetary jury threshold for certain types of
10 civil cases was increased in 1993 to conform to the federal jurisdictional
11 level of fifty thousand dollars; and

12 WHEREAS, the current federal jurisdictional level has since been
13 raised to seventy five thousand dollars; and

14 WHEREAS, certain factors are unique to Louisiana, such as our
15 civilian law system and our manner of funding civil jury trials by charging
16 costs to the litigants; and

17 WHEREAS, unlike other states with lower jury thresholds, civil jury
18 trials are unavailable to Louisiana litigants, regardless of the monetary
19 threshold, in a suit on an unconditional obligation to pay a specific sum of
20 money, summary and executory proceedings, probate and partition cases,
21 workers' compensation, emancipation, tutorship, interdiction, curatorship,
22 filiation, annulment of marriage, or divorce proceedings and many other
23 types of civil cases; and"

24 AMENDMENT NO. 4

25 On page 2, at the end of line 17, change "1993." to "1993; and"

26 AMENDMENT NO. 5

27 On page 2, between lines 17 and 18, insert the following:

28 "WHEREAS, the Legislature of Louisiana would benefit from a
29 comparison of the impact of a reduction in the jury threshold, an increase in
30 the jury threshold, and maintaining the monetary jury threshold at its present
31 level of fifty thousand dollars."

32 AMENDMENT NO. 6

33 On page 2, at the beginning of line 19, change "authorize and direct" to "urge and request"

1 AMENDMENT NO. 7

2 On page 2, at the beginning of line 23, change "authorize and direct" to "urge and request"
3 and, at the end of the line, change "the most recent" to "a sufficient period of time to provide
4 a comprehensive picture of civil jury trials in Louisiana, but not less than the three most
5 recent years"

6 AMENDMENT NO. 8

7 On page 2, at the beginning of line 24, delete "year"

8 AMENDMENT NO. 9

9 On page 3, line 1, after "Louisiana" delete the remainder of the line and insert "for the last
10 six years."

11 AMENDMENT NO. 10

12 On page 3, delete line 2 in its entirety

13 AMENDMENT NO. 11

14 On page 3, line 3, after "receiving" delete the remainder of the line and insert "notice to
15 serve on a jury, the number of persons responding to a notice to serve on a jury, the
16 percentage of"

17 AMENDMENT NO. 12

18 On page 3, line 5, after "(4)" and before "total" change "The most recent year's" to "The last
19 six years"

20 AMENDMENT NO. 13

21 On page 3, between lines 18 and 19 insert the following:

22 (10) The funding sources used by other states to pay for civil jury
23 trials.

24 (11) The financial implications to state and local governmental
25 authorities of reducing the jury trial threshold, maintaining the jury trial
26 threshold at its current level, and increasing the jury trial threshold.

27 (12) The factors unique to Louisiana's civil justice system and the
28 impact those factors have on the jury threshold.

29 (13) The public purpose and reasons why most other states have
30 delictual prescriptive periods beyond one year."