

CHAPTER 601

H.B. No. 2831

AN ACT

relating to the jurisdiction of the statutory county court in Panola County.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 25.1852(a), Government Code, as amended by Chapters 564 and 746, Acts of the 72nd Legislature, Regular Session, 1991, is amended to read as follows:

(a) In addition to the jurisdiction provided by Section 25.0003 and other law, *and notwithstanding any law granting exclusive jurisdiction to the district court*, a county court at law in Panola County has:

~~[(1) concurrent with the county court, the probate jurisdiction provided by general law for county courts; and~~

~~[(2) concurrent jurisdiction with the district court in:~~

~~[(A) civil cases in which the matter in controversy exceeds \$500, but does not exceed \$100,000, excluding interest;~~

~~[(B) appeals of final rulings and decisions of the Texas Workers' Compensation Commission, regardless of the amount in controversy;~~

~~[(C) family law cases and proceedings; and~~

~~[(D) felony cases to accept guilty pleas and to conduct probation revocation hearings].~~

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 1993.

SECTION 3. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended.

Passed by the House on April 30, 1993, by a non-record vote; passed by the Senate on May 27, 1993, by a viva-voce vote.

Approved June 13, 1993.

Effective Sept. 1, 1993.