CHAPTER 653

H.B. No. 2551

AN ACT

relating to the jurisdiction of the county courts at law in McLennan County.

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

SECTION 1. Section 2, Chapter 248, Acts of the 52nd Legislature, 1951 (Article 1970-298b, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

(d) The County Court at Law of McLennan County has concurrent jurisdiction with the district court in civil cases in which the matter in controversy exceeds \$500 but does not exceed \$20,000, excluding interest.

SECTION 2. Section 2(b), Chapter 373, Acts of the 65th Legislature, Regular Session, 1977 (Article 1970-298d, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended to read as follows:

(b) The County Court at Law No. 2 of McLennan County has jurisdiction concurrent with the district court in eminent domain cases and in civil cases when the matter in controversy exceeds \$500 and does not exceed \$20,000 [\$5,000], exclusive of interest[, as provided by general law].

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, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Passed by the House on May 15, 1987, by a non-record vote. Passed by the Senate on May 28, 1987, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

Approved June 19, 1987.

Effective Aug. 31, 1987, 90 days after date of adjournment.