

CHAPTER 986

S.B. No. 1336

AN ACT

relating to the jurisdiction of the County Court at Law of Williamson County and to the redesignation of that court as the County Court at Law No. 1 of Williamson County.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 452, Acts of the 68th Legislature, Regular Session, 1983 (Article 1970-380, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended by adding Section 1A to read as follows:

Sec. 1A. REDESIGNATION. The County Court at Law of Williamson County is redesignated the County Court at Law No. 1 of Williamson County. A statutory reference to the County Court at Law of Williamson County means the County Court at Law No. 1 of Williamson County.

SECTION 2. Subsection (a), Section 2, Chapter 452, Acts of the 68th Legislature, Regular Session, 1983 (Article 1970-380, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended to read as follows:

(a) The County Court at Law of Williamson County has concurrent jurisdiction with the district court in:

(1) cases in which the matter in controversy exceeds \$500 and does not exceed \$50,000 [~~\$10,000~~], excluding interest;

(2) *cases and proceedings involving family law matters, including adoptions; birth records; removal of disability of minority or coverture; change of names of persons; child welfare, custody, support and reciprocal support, dependency, neglect, or delinquency; paternity; termination of parental rights; divorce and marriage annulment, including the adjustment of property rights, custody and support of minor children involved therein, temporary support pending final hearing, and every other matter incident to divorce or annulment proceedings; independent actions involving child support and custody of minors and wife or child desertion; and independent actions involving controversies between parent and child, between parents, and between spouses; and*

(3) *appeals of final rulings and decisions of the Industrial Accident Board.*

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 the Senate on May 7, 1987, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0; and that the Senate concurred in House amendment on May 22, 1987, by a viva-voce vote.

Passed the House, with amendment, on May 20, 1987, by a non-record vote.

Approved June 18, 1987.

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