



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 514

LCO No. 1987

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by:
(JUD)

An Act Concerning Small Claims Cases.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Subsection (d) of section 51-15 of the general statutes is repealed
2 and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

3 (d) The procedure for the hearing and determination of small claims
4 as the same may be prescribed, from time to time, by the judges of the
5 Superior Court shall be used in all small claims sessions of the court.
6 The small claims procedure shall be applicable to all actions, except
7 actions of libel and slander, claiming money damages not in excess of
8 [two] three thousand five hundred dollars, and to no other actions. If a
9 motion is filed to transfer a small claims matter to the regular docket in
10 the court, the moving party shall pay the fee prescribed by section 52-
11 259. The Attorney General or an assistant attorney general, or the head
12 of any state agency or his authorized representative, while acting in his
13 official capacity shall not be required to pay any small claims court fee.
14 There shall be no charge for copies of service on defendants in small
15 claims matters.

Statement of Purpose:

To increase jurisdictional limit of small claims court to three thousand five hundred dollars.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]