



General Assembly

**Amendment**

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LCO No. 4538



Offered by:  
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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 215      File No. 605      Cal. No. 356

**"AN ACT CONCERNING COURT OPERATIONS."**

1      After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and  
2      internal references accordingly:

3      "Sec. 501. Subsection (a) of section 51-199 of the general statutes is  
4      repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*  
5      *October 1, 2018*):

6      (a) The Supreme Court shall have final and conclusive jurisdiction  
7      of all matters brought before it according to law, and shall decide only  
8      the issues of law presented by the parties in such matters, except that  
9      the Supreme Court may notice jurisdictional issues at any time. The  
10     Supreme Court may carry into execution all its judgments and decrees  
11     and institute rules of practice and procedure as to matters before it.

12     Sec. 502. Subsection (a) of section 51-197a of the general statutes is  
13     repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*  
14     *October 1, 2018*):

15 (a) Appeals from final judgments or actions of the Superior Court  
 16 shall be taken to the Appellate Court in accordance with section 51-  
 17 197c, except for small claims, which are not appealable, appeals within  
 18 the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court as provided for in section 51-199,  
 19 as amended by this act, appeals as provided for in sections 8-8 and 8-9,  
 20 and except as otherwise provided by statute. The Appellate Court shall  
 21 have jurisdiction to decide only the issues of law presented by the  
 22 parties.

23 Sec. 503. Section 51-164s of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 24 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):

25 (a) The Superior Court shall be the sole court of original jurisdiction  
 26 for all causes of action, except such actions over which the courts of  
 27 probate have original jurisdiction, as provided by statute. The Superior  
 28 Court shall have exclusive jurisdiction in cases at law and equity and  
 29 in all criminal matters originating before it to determine credibility and  
 30 find facts based upon the evidence submitted.

31 (b) All jurisdiction heretofore conferred upon and exercised by the  
 32 Court of Common Pleas and the Juvenile Court prior to July 1, 1978  
 33 shall be transferred to the Superior Court on July 1, 1978."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	<i>October 1, 2018</i>	51-199(a)
Sec. 502	<i>October 1, 2018</i>	51-197a(a)
Sec. 503	<i>October 1, 2018</i>	51-164s