

1-1 By: Murr (Senate Sponsor - Creighton) H.B. No. 1159
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 26, 2021;
1-3 May 13, 2021, read first time and referred to Committee on
1-4 Jurisprudence; May 21, 2021, reported favorably by the following
1-5 vote: Yeas 5, Nays 0; May 21, 2021, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-11	X			
1-12	X			

1-13 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-14 AN ACT

1-15 relating to the maximum judgment amount awarded by a justice court
1-16 in certain civil cases regarding the repair of residential rental
1-17 property.

1-18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-19 SECTION 1. Section 92.0563(e), Property Code, is amended to
1-20 read as follows:

1-21 (e) A justice court may not award a judgment under this
1-22 section, including an order of repair, that exceeds \$20,000
1-23 [~~\$10,000~~], excluding interest and costs of court.

1-24 SECTION 2. Section 92.0563(e), Property Code, as amended by
1-25 this Act, applies only to a cause of action filed on or after the
1-26 effective date of this Act. A cause of action filed before that date
1-27 is governed by the law in effect immediately before that date, and
1-28 that law is continued in effect for that purpose.

1-29 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

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