

By: Hardcastle

H.B. No. 788

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the jurisdiction of the district court and the transfer  
3 of cases from the county courts in the 50th Judicial District to the  
4 district court.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. Section 24.152, Government Code, is amended by  
7 amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsection (d) to read as  
8 follows:

9 (b) In addition to other jurisdiction provided by law, the  
10 district court in Baylor, Cottle, King, and Knox Counties  
11 [~~counties~~] has the civil and criminal jurisdiction of a county  
12 court.

13 (d) In matters of concurrent jurisdiction, the judge of the  
14 county court in Baylor, Cottle, King, or Knox County may transfer a  
15 case to the judge of the 50th District Court with the approval of  
16 the district judge. When a case is transferred, all processes,  
17 writs, bonds, recognizances, or other obligations issued from the  
18 transferring court are returnable to the court to which the case is  
19 transferred as if originally issued by that court. The obligees in  
20 all bonds and recognizances taken in and for a court from which a  
21 case is transferred, and all witnesses summoned to appear in a court  
22 from which a case is transferred, are required to appear before the  
23 court to which a case is transferred as if originally required to  
24 appear before the court to which the transfer is made.

1 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.