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H.B. No. 196

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to appeals from small claims courts.

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

SECTION 1. The heading to Section 28.053, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 28.053. DE NOVO TRIAL [~~HEARING~~] ON APPEAL.

SECTION 2. Section 28.053(d), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(d) A person may appeal the final judgment [~~Judgment~~] of the county court or county court at law on the appeal to the court of appeals [~~is final~~].

SECTION 3. Section 28.053, Government Code, as amended by this Act, applies only to an action in small claims court filed on or after the effective date of this Act. An action in small claims court filed before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law applicable to the action immediately before the effective date of this Act, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.