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H.B. No. 4738

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the creation of a county court at law in Gillespie
3 County.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 25, Government Code, is
6 amended by adding Sections 25.0881 and 25.0882 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 25.0881. GILLESPIE COUNTY. Gillespie County has one
8 statutory county court, the County Court at Law of Gillespie
9 County.

10 Sec. 25.0882. GILLESPIE COUNTY COURT AT LAW PROVISIONS.

11 (a) In addition to the jurisdiction provided by Section 25.0003 and
12 other law, a county court at law in Gillespie County has concurrent
13 jurisdiction with the district court in:

14 (1) family law cases and proceedings; and

15 (2) juvenile law cases and proceedings.

16 (b) The district clerk serves as clerk of a county court at
17 law for family law cases and proceedings and the county clerk serves
18 as clerk for all other cases. The commissioners court may employ as
19 many deputy sheriffs and bailiffs as are necessary to serve the
20 court.

21 (c) If a case or proceeding in which a county court at law
22 has concurrent jurisdiction with a district court is tried before a
23 jury, the jury shall be composed of 12 members. In all other cases,
24 the jury shall be composed of six members.

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1 SECTION 2. The County Court at Law of Gillespie County is
2 created on the effective date of this Act.

3 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect October 1, 2019.