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S.B. No. 2454

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the jurisdiction of the County Court at Law of Kleberg County.

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

SECTION 1. Section 25.1392(a), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) In addition to the jurisdiction provided by Section 25.0003 and other law, a county court at law in Kleberg County has:

(1) the jurisdiction provided by the constitution and by general law for district courts; and

(2) concurrent jurisdiction with the district court
[in]:

(A) in disputes ancillary to probate, eminent domain, condemnation, or landlord and tenant matters relating to the adjudication and determination of land titles and trusts, whether testamentary, inter vivos, constructive, resulting, or any other class or type of trust, regardless of the amount in controversy or the remedy sought;

(B) over civil forfeitures, including surety bond forfeitures without minimum or maximum limitation as to the amount in controversy or remedy sought;

(C) in all actions by or against a personal representative, in all actions involving an inter vivos trust, in all actions involving a charitable trust, and in all actions

1 involving a testamentary trust, whether the matter is appertaining
2 to or incident to an estate;

3 (D) in [~~(1)~~] family law cases and proceedings;
4 and

5 (E) in [~~(2)~~] felony cases to conduct
6 arraignments, conduct pretrial hearings, and accept guilty pleas.

7 SECTION 2. Section 25.1392(a), Government Code, as amended
8 by this Act, applies only to a cause of action filed on or after the
9 effective date of this Act. A cause of action filed before the
10 effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the
11 date the cause of action was filed, and the former law is continued
12 in effect for that purpose.

13 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.