

BY: House Judiciary Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 420

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

In line 2, strike “- Exclusive Original” and substitute “and Circuit Courts -”; strike beginning with “increasing” in line 3 down through “cases” in line 5 and substitute “providing that the circuit courts do not have jurisdiction over certain misdemeanor drug cases; providing certain exceptions”; and in line 6, after “Court” insert “and circuit courts”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

In line 16, strike “The” and substitute:

“(1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE”;

in line 18, strike “(1)” and substitute “(I)”; in the same line, strike both brackets and “5”; in line 19, strike both brackets and “\$30,000”; in line 20, strike “(2)” and substitute “(II)”; and after line 21, insert:

“(2) (I) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, A CIRCUIT COURT DOES NOT HAVE JURISDICTION TO TRY A CASE CHARGING A VIOLATION OF ARTICLE 27, § 287 OF THE CODE.

(II) A CIRCUIT COURT DOES HAVE JURISDICTION TO TRY A CASE CHARGING A VIOLATION OF ARTICLE 27, § 287 OF THE CODE IF THE DEFENDANT:

1. PROPERLY DEMANDS A JURY TRIAL;

2. APPEALS AS PROVIDED BY LAW FROM A FINAL JUDGMENT ENTERED IN THE DISTRICT COURT; OR

(Over)

3. IS CHARGED WITH ANOTHER OFFENSE ARISING OUT OF THE SAME CIRCUMSTANCES BUT NOT WITHIN THE DISTRICT COURT'S JURISDICTION."