

By Senator McKay

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See HB 4017

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the Florida Statutes;
3 repealing various statutory provisions that
4 have become obsolete, have had their effect,
5 have served their purpose, or have been
6 impliedly repealed or superseded; repealing s.
7 16.58(2)(g), F.S., relating to a pilot project
8 of the Florida Legal Resource Center to provide
9 court reporting services to state agencies;
10 repealing ss. 25.074 and 25.081, F.S., relating
11 to the Supreme Court's assignment of circuit
12 and county court judges to geographical areas
13 and the seal of the Supreme Court; amending s.
14 34.01, F.S.; eliminating obsolete provisions
15 relating to actions at law subject to
16 jurisdiction of the county courts; repealing s.
17 35.09, F.S., relating to seals of the district
18 courts of appeal; repealing s. 44.201(7), F.S.,
19 relating to the operation of Citizen Dispute
20 Settlement Centers in operation on a certain
21 date; repealing s. 46.015(4), F.S., relating to
22 applicability of provisions relating to release
23 of parties to written releases or covenants not
24 to sue executed after a certain date; repealing
25 s. 46.051(6)(b), F.S., relating to
26 applicability of provisions relating to joinder
27 of products liability insurers to causes of
28 action accruing on or after a certain date;
29 repealing s. 57.111(6)(b), F.S., relating to
30 applicability of the Florida Equal Access to
31 Justice Act; repealing s. 60.02, F.S., relating

1 to jurisdiction of chancery courts to enjoin
2 against destruction of timber and removal of
3 logs; repealing s. 92.55(1), F.S., relating to
4 findings and a request of the Supreme Court to
5 amend applicable rules of procedure to conform
6 with statutory provisions to protect the
7 interests of children or persons with mental
8 retardation as witnesses in criminal, civil, or
9 juvenile proceedings; repealing s. 112.3217(4),
10 F.S., relating to applicability to existing
11 contracts of provisions prohibiting contingency
12 fees; repealing s. 120.574(2)(g), F.S.,
13 relating to a register of the total number of
14 formal proceedings filed with the Division of
15 Administrative Hearings under s. 120.57(1),
16 F.S.; repealing s. 120.695(2)(b)-(f), F.S.,
17 relating to agency reports on rule review and
18 designation of minor violations subject to
19 notices of noncompliance; providing an
20 effective date.

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22 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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24 Section 1. Paragraph (g) of subsection (2) of section
25 16.58, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

26 Section 2. Sections 25.074 and 25.081, Florida
27 Statutes, are repealed.

28 Section 3. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section
29 34.01, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

30 34.01 Jurisdiction of county court.--

31 (1) County courts shall have original jurisdiction:

1 (c) ~~As to causes of action accruing:~~
2 1. ~~Before July 1, 1980, of all actions at law in which~~
3 ~~the matter in controversy does not exceed the sum of \$2,500,~~
4 ~~exclusive of interest, costs, and attorney's fees, except~~
5 ~~those within the exclusive jurisdiction of the circuit courts.~~
6 2. ~~On or after July 1, 1980, of all actions at law in~~
7 ~~which the matter in controversy does not exceed the sum of~~
8 ~~\$5,000, exclusive of interest, costs, and attorney's fees,~~
9 ~~except those within the exclusive jurisdiction of the circuit~~
10 ~~courts.~~
11 3. ~~On or after July 1, 1990, of actions at law in~~
12 ~~which the matter in controversy does not exceed the sum of~~
13 ~~\$10,000, exclusive of interest, costs, and attorney's fees,~~
14 ~~except those within the exclusive jurisdiction of the circuit~~
15 ~~courts.~~
16 4. ~~On or after July 1, 1992,~~Of all actions at law in
17 which the matter in controversy does not exceed the sum of
18 \$15,000, exclusive of interest, costs, and attorney's fees,
19 except those within the exclusive jurisdiction of the circuit
20 courts. The party instituting any civil action, suit, or
21 proceeding pursuant to this paragraph ~~schedule~~ where the
22 amount in controversy is in excess of \$5,000 shall pay to the
23 clerk of the county court the filing fees and service charges
24 in the same amounts and in the same manner as provided in s.
25 28.241.
26 Section 4. Section 35.09, Florida Statutes, is
27 repealed.
28 Section 5. Subsection (7) of section 44.201, Florida
29 Statutes, is repealed.
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1 Section 6. Subsection (4) of section 46.015 and
2 paragraph (b) of subsection (6) of section 46.051, Florida
3 Statutes, are repealed.
4 Section 7. Paragraph (b) of subsection (6) of section
5 57.111, Florida Statutes, is repealed.
6 Section 8. Section 60.02, Florida Statutes, is
7 repealed.
8 Section 9. Subsection (1) of section 92.55, Florida
9 Statutes, is repealed.
10 Section 10. Subsection (4) of section 112.3217,
11 Florida Statutes, is repealed.
12 Section 11. Paragraph (g) of subsection (2) of section
13 120.574 and paragraphs (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f) of
14 subsection (2) of section 120.695, Florida Statutes, are
15 repealed.
16 Section 12. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
17 law.
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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

Repeals various statutory provisions that have become obsolete, have had their effect, have served their purpose, or have been impliedly repealed or superseded. Repeals provisions relating to a pilot project of the Florida Legal Resource Center to provide court reporting services to state agencies; the Supreme Court's assignment of circuit and county court judges to geographical areas and the seal of the Supreme Court; seals of the district courts of appeal; the operation of Citizen Dispute Settlement Centers in operation on October 1, 1985; applicability of provisions relating to release of parties to written releases or covenants not to sue executed after June 23, 1980; applicability of provisions relating to joinder of products liability insurers to causes of action accruing on or after October 1, 1978; applicability of the Florida Equal Access to Justice Act; jurisdiction of chancery courts to enjoin against destruction of timber and removal of logs; findings and a request of the Supreme Court to amend applicable rules of procedure to conform with statutory provisions to protect the interests of children or persons with mental retardation as witnesses in criminal, civil, or juvenile proceedings; applicability to existing contracts of provisions prohibiting contingency fees; a register of the total number of formal proceedings filed with the Division of Administrative Hearings under s. 120.57(1), F.S.; and agency reports on rule review and designation of minor violations subject to notices of noncompliance. Eliminates obsolete provisions relating to actions at law subject to jurisdiction of the county courts.