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SENATE BILL NO. 187

Introduced by: Senators Whiting, Olson, Staggers, and Symens and Representatives Hunt, Cutler, DeMersseman, Duxbury, Haley, Jorgensen, and Koetzle

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to increase the amount of money or damage that is under
2 the jurisdiction of small claims court.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

4 Section 1. That § 16-12A-19 be amended to read as follows:

5 16-12A-19. A magistrate court shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the circuit courts, in
6 noncontested civil actions or noncontested small claims proceedings where the amount of money
7 or damage does not exceed ~~four~~ eight thousand dollars, to take the necessary evidence and enter
8 a judgment.

9 Section 2. That § 16-12A-24 be amended to read as follows:

10 16-12A-24. Any magistrate court with a magistrate judge presiding has concurrent
11 jurisdiction with the circuit courts to try and determine all civil actions if the debt, damage, claim,
12 or value of the property involved does not exceed ~~four~~ eight thousand dollars. Any magistrate
13 court with a magistrate judge presiding has jurisdiction in small claims proceedings if the debt,
14 damage, claim, or value of the property involved does not exceed ~~four~~ eight thousand dollars.