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HOUSE FILE 2282
BY KREIMAN

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the jurisdiction of district associate judges
2 in civil actions for money judgment.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 602.6306, subsection 2, Code 2001, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 2. District associate judges also have jurisdiction in
4 civil actions for money judgment where the amount in
5 controversy does not exceed ~~ten~~ twenty thousand dollars,
6 jurisdiction over involuntary commitment, treatment, or
7 hospitalization proceedings under chapters 125 and 229,
8 jurisdiction of indictable misdemeanors, and felony violations
9 of section 321J.2, jurisdiction to enter a temporary or
10 emergency order of protection under chapter 236, and to make
11 court appointments and set hearings in criminal matters,
12 jurisdiction to enter orders in probate which do not require
13 notice and hearing and to set hearings in actions under
14 chapter 633, and the jurisdiction provided in section 602.7101
15 when designated as a judge of the juvenile court. While
16 presiding in these subject matters a district associate judge
17 shall employ district judges' practice and procedure.

18 EXPLANATION

19 This bill provides that district associate judges have
20 jurisdiction in civil actions for money judgment where the
21 amount in controversy does not exceed \$20,000. Current law
22 limits the jurisdiction of district associate judges in such
23 actions to \$10,000.

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