C. Should a member who is on disability retirement die and leave a surviving spouse, the surviving spouse shall receive a benefit of two hundred dollars per month. When the member takes disability retirement he may in addition take an actuarially reduced benefit in which case the member’s surviving spouse shall receive fifty percent of the disability benefit being paid immediately prior to the death of the disabled retiree. If the surviving spouse remarries, such benefits shall cease; however, the benefits shall resume upon a subsequent divorce or death of the new spouse, and the approval of the board of trustees.

Section 2. This Act shall not become effective until the effective date of the enactment into law of House Bill 203 of the 1985 Regular Session.

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ACT No. 298

House Bill No. 42. By: Mr. Downer.

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:5202(A) relative to small claims divisions in city courts, to increase the jurisdictional amount therefor, and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 13:5202(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§5202. Jurisdiction

A. A small claims division shall be a court not of record and shall have civil subject matter jurisdiction in cases where the amount in dispute does not exceed two thousand dollars, exclusive of interest, court costs, attorney fees, or penalties, whether provided by agreement or by law.

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ACT No. 299


AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:463.4(A) and to enact R.S. 47:473.2, relative to special handicapped license plates for dealers and owners of commercial vehicles, to provide for the cost, issuance, and sale of such plates, and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 47:463.4(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§463.4. Special license plates for handicapped persons

A. On the application of any handicapped person, the secretary shall issue special license plates designating the vehicles declared by the applicant to be used by him or operated for his benefit. The license plates shall bear the international symbol of the handicapped; the word "handicapped", reading from left to right; and shall be followed by such numbers or letters as the secretary finds expedient. The secretary shall not issue registration plates so designated to any person other than a handicapped person, except as provided in R.S. 47:473.2. The department shall not charge any fee, other than the regular fee for annual registration, for the issuance of the license plates.

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Section 2. R.S. 47:473.2 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§473.2. Special handicapped license plates for dealers and owners of commercial vehicles

A. In addition to the provisions of this Chapter authorizing the issuance of dealers’ license plates and commercial license plates, the secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections shall issue special handicapped license plates for a dealer, as defined by R.S. 47:451(8), and an owner of commercial vehicles as defined in R.S.