

House Bill 705

By: Representatives Kelley of the 16th, Coomer of the 14th, Trammell of the 132nd, Reeves of the 34th, and Willard of the 51st

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 15-10-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the
2 general jurisdiction of magistrate courts, so as to increase the jurisdictional limits for certain
3 civil claims; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

5 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

6 Code Section 15-10-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the general
7 jurisdiction of magistrate courts, is amended by revising paragraph (5) as follows:

8 "(5) The trial of civil claims including garnishment and attachment in which exclusive
9 jurisdiction is not vested in the superior court and the amount demanded or the value of
10 the property claimed does not exceed ~~\$15,000.00~~ \$25,000.00, provided that no
11 prejudgment attachment may be granted;"

12 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 2.**

13 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.