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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY MCKINNON

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 762

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the jurisdiction of the district
7 court; and providing for an effective date."

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

9 * Section 1. AS 22.15.040 is amended to read:

10 Sec. 22.15.040. SMALL CLAIMS. (a) When a claim for relief does
11 not exceed \$5,000 [\$2,000] exclusive of costs, interest and attorney
12 fees, and request is so made, the district judge or magistrate shall
13 hear the action as a small claim unless important or unusual points of
14 law are involved. The supreme court shall prescribe the procedural
15 rules and standard forms to assure simplicity and the expeditious han-
16 dling of small claims.

17 (b) The supreme court may increase the limit on the amount of the
18 claim for relief established in (a) of this section to reflect annual
19 increases in the Anchorage consumer price index published by the United
20 States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

21 * Sec. 2. AS 22.15.050 is amended to read:

22 Sec. 22.15.050. ACTIONS NOT WITHIN CIVIL JURISDICTION. The juris-
23 diction of the district courts does not extend to

24 (1) an action in which the title to real property is in
25 question;

26 (2) an action for false imprisonment, libel, slander, mali-
27 cious prosecution, criminal conversation, seduction upon a promise to
28 marry, [ACTIONS OF AN EQUITABLE NATURE (EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN AS 22.15.-
29 030(a)(9)),] or actions in which the state is a defendant.

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* Sec. 3. This Act takes effect July 1, 1980.