FINAL BILL REPORT

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SYNOPSIS AS ENACTED

Brief Description: Changing provisions regarding judgments.

SPONSORS: Senator Hargrove

SENATE COMMITTEE ON LAW & JUSTICE

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

BACKGROUND:

A number of problems have been identified by court clerks and other interested parties regarding judgments and court procedures.

SUMMARY:

The requirement of posting a bond may be waived by a judge when issuing an injunction if a person's health or life would be jeopardized.

A judgment rendered in another state may be filed in district court (as well as superior court), provided the judgment is within the district court's civil jurisdiction and venue.

Superior courts are authorized to use collection agencies for the collection of unpaid court obligations and to recover collection costs from the debtor.

The Departments of Social and Health Services and Corrections must file a satisfaction of judgment for payments made through them instead of through the court clerk.

A judgment must contain a summary. The clerk is not liable for an incorrect summary submitted by a party.

Proceeds of sales of real estate in satisfaction of judgments must be distributed by direction of court order.

Interest from the investment of funds held in trust by a court will only accrue to the beneficiary after the written request for investment has been made.

VOTES ON FINAL PASSAGE:

Senate	44	0	
House	96	0	(House amended)
Senate			(Senate refused to concur)

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<u>Conference Committee</u>

House 97 0

Senate 45 0

EFFECTIVE: June 9, 1994

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