

**REVISED JUDICATURE ACT OF 1961 (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 236 of 1961**

**600.8401 Small claims division; creation; judge; jurisdiction.**

Sec. 8401.

A small claims division is created in each district as a division of the district court. A judge of the district court shall sit as judge of the small claims division. The jurisdiction of the small claims division shall be confined to cases for the recovery of money in which the amount claimed does not exceed the following:

- (a) Beginning September 1, 2012, \$5,000.00.
- (b) Beginning January 1, 2015, \$5,500.00.
- (c) Beginning January 1, 2018, \$6,000.00.
- (d) Beginning January 1, 2021, \$6,500.00
- (e) Beginning January 1, 2024, \$7,000.00.

**History:** Add. 1968, Act 154, Imd. Eff. June 17, 1968 ;-- Am. 1978, Act 496, Eff. Jan. 1, 1979 ;-- Am. 1984, Act 278, Eff. Jan. 1, 1985 ;-- Am. 1991, Act 192, Eff. July 1, 1992 ;-- Am. 1999, Act 27, Eff. Jan. 1, 2000 ;-- Am. 2012, Act 142, Eff. Sept. 1, 2012