

HB 294 -- Nonpayment of Rent

Sponsor: Chappelle-Nadal

This bill requires associate circuit courts to adopt a local court rule providing for the centralized filing of rent and possession cases and to hear the cases within 30 days after the date of the filing.

The filing of the statement, verified by affidavit, will be prima facie evidence that the rent has not been paid; and the burden of proof will be on the tenant to prove payment.