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DIGEST

Present law provides that when two or more separate actions are pending in the same court, the section or division of the court in which the first filed action is pending may order consolidation of the actions for trial after a contradictory hearing, and upon a finding that common issues of fact and law predominate.

Proposed law retains present law and adds the requirement that each section or division of the court in which the latter actions are filed give their written consent to consolidate the cases before the court.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends C.C.P. Art. 1561)