

**Assembly Bill No. 2949**

CHAPTER 247

An act to add Section 116.225 to the Code of Civil Procedure, relating to small claims.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2949, Wayne. Small claims court: jurisdiction.

Existing law sets forth the actions in which a small claims court has jurisdiction.

This bill would provide that an agreement entered into or renewed on or after January 1, 2003, establishing a forum outside of California for an action arising from an offer or provision of goods, services, property, or extensions of credit primarily for personal, family, or household purposes that is otherwise within the jurisdiction of a small claims court of this state is contrary to public policy and is void and unenforceable.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. Section 116.225 is added to the Code of Civil Procedure, to read:

116.225. An agreement entered into or renewed on or after January 1, 2003, establishing a forum outside of California for an action arising from an offer or provision of goods, services, property, or extensions of credit primarily for personal, family, or household purposes that is otherwise within the jurisdiction of a small claims court of this state is contrary to public policy and is void and unenforceable.

