2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 477

BY REPRESENTATIVES COUSSAN, BISHOP, GEYMANN, TRAVIS JOHNSON, CHARLES OWEN, ST. BLANC, AND ZERINGUE

DISTRICT ATTORNEYS: Provides for new assistant district attorney positions for various judicial districts in the state

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 16:51(A)(1), (5), (7), (14), (15), (16), (18), (19), (21), (24), (29), (32), (36), and (37), relative to assistant district attorneys; to provide for additional assistant district attorneys for certain judicial districts; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 16:51(A)(1), (5), (7), (14), (15), (16), (18), (19), (21), (24), (29), (32), (36), and (37) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§51. Assistant district attorneys

A. The district attorney of each judicial district and of the parish of Orleans shall appoint a first assistant district attorney and such other assistant district attorneys for his respective judicial district or for the parish of Orleans as may be necessary, the total number of assistant district attorneys in each judicial district and in the parish of Orleans to be not less than as hereinafter set forth:

(1) In the First Judicial District, twenty-seven thirty-five assistant district attorneys;

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(5) In the Fifth Judicial District, six seven assistant district attorneys;

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(7) In the Seventh Judicial District, **five six** assistant district attorneys;

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(14) In the Fourteenth Judicial District, **twenty-three twenty-four** assistant
district attorneys;

(15) In the Fifteenth Judicial District, **nineteen twenty-eight** assistant
district attorneys;

(16) In the Sixteenth Judicial District, **twenty-one twenty-three** assistant
district attorneys;

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(18) In the Eighteenth Judicial District, **ten twelve** assistant district attorneys;

(19) In the Nineteenth Judicial District, **forty-eight fifty-four** assistant district
attorneys;

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(21) In the Twenty-First Judicial District, **eighteen nineteen** assistant district
attorneys;

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(24) In the Twenty-Fourth Judicial District, **fifty-two fifty-four** assistant
district attorneys;

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(29) In the Twenty-Ninth Judicial District, **nine ten** assistant district
attorneys;

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(32) In the Thirty-Second Judicial District, **nineteen twenty** assistant district
attorneys;

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(36) In the Thirty-Sixth Judicial District, **four five** assistant district attorneys;

(37) In the Thirty-Seventh Judicial District, **two three** assistant district
attorneys;

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are additions.
Section 2. The provisions of Section 1 of this Act shall become effective upon an Act of the Louisiana Legislature containing a specific appropriation of monies for the implementation of the provisions of this Act.

Section 3. The provisions of Sections 2 and 3 of this Act shall become effective on August 1, 2022; if vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on August 1, 2022, or on the day following such approval by the legislature, whichever is later.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides for new assistant district attorney positions for various judicial districts in the state.

Present law provides for the number of assistant district attorneys for the various judicial districts.

Proposed law increases the number of assistant district attorneys in particular judicial districts as follows:

1. 1st JDC from 27 to 35.
2. 5th JDC from 6 to 7.
3. 7th JDC from 5 to 6.
4. 14th JDC from 23 to 24.
5. 15th JDC from 19 to 28.
6. 16th JDC from 21 to 23.
7. 18th JDC from 10 to 12.
8. 19th JDC from 48 to 54.
9. 21st JDC from 18 to 19.
10. 24th JDC from 52 to 54.
11. 29th JDC from 9 to 10.
12. 32nd JDC from 19 to 20.
13. 36th JDC from 4 to 5.

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Proposed law provides that Section 1 of proposed law shall become effective upon an Act of the La. Legislature containing a specific appropriation of monies for the implementation of the provisions of proposed law.

Proposed law provides that Sections 2 and 3 of proposed law shall become effective on Aug. 1, 2022; if vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, proposed law shall become effective on Aug. 1, 2022, or on the day following such approval by the legislature, whichever is later.

(Amends R.S. 16:51(A)(1), (5), (7), (14), (15), (16), (18), (19), (21), (24), (29), (32), (36), and (37))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Appropriations to the engrossed bill:

1. Make technical changes.
2. Provide for an effective date contingent upon an appropriation of monies.