HB 477

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

DIGEST

<u>Present law</u> provides for the number of assistant district attorneys for the various judicial districts.

<u>Proposed law</u> increases the number of assistant district attorneys that have already been approved by the Governor's Advisory and Review Commission on Assistant District Attorneys in particular judicial districts as follows:

- (1) 1st JDC <u>from</u> 27 <u>to</u> 35.
- (2) 5th JDC <u>from</u> 6 <u>to</u> 7.
- (3) 7th JDC <u>from</u> 5 <u>to</u> 6.
- (4) 14th JDC <u>from</u> 23 <u>to</u> 24.
- (5) 15th JDC <u>from</u> 19 <u>to</u> 28.
- (6) 16th JDC <u>from</u> 21 <u>to</u> 23.
- (7) 18th JDC <u>from</u> 10 <u>to</u> 12.
- (8) 19th JDC <u>from</u> 48 <u>to</u> 54.
- (9) 21st JDC <u>from</u> 18 <u>to</u> 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 <u>from</u> 4 <u>to</u> 5.
- (14) 37th JDC from 2 to 3.

Section 1 of <u>proposed law</u> shall become effective when an Act of the La. Legislature containing a specific appropriation of monies for the implementation of the provisions of proposed law becomes effective.

Sections 2 and 3 of <u>proposed law</u> shall become effective upon signature of the governor; if vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, <u>proposed law</u> becomes effective on the day following such approval by the legislature.

<u>Present law</u> provides for the number of assistant district attorneys for the various judicial districts.

<u>Proposed law</u> increases the number of assistant district attorneys, contingent upon the approval of the Governor's Advisory and Review Commission on Assistant District Attorneys, in particular judicial districts as follows:

(1) 12th JDC <u>from</u> 7 <u>to</u> 8.

- (2) 14th JDC from 23 to 25.
- (3) 18th JDC <u>from</u> 10 <u>to</u> 13.
- (4) 19th JDC from 48 to 55.
- (5) 26th JDC <u>from</u> 12 <u>to</u> 13.
- (6) 27th JDC from 11 to 12.
- (7) 32nd JDC <u>from</u> 19 <u>to</u> 21.
- (8) 34th JDC from 8 to 9.

<u>Proposed law provides that if any additional district attorney position provided for in Section 2 of this Act is not approved by the Governor's Advisory and Review Commission on Assistant District Attorneys, such lack of approval shall not affect other additional positions provided for in Section 2 of this Act.</u>

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that Section 2 of this Act is hereby declared severable.

(Amends R.S. 16:51(A) (intro para), (1), (5), (7), (12), (14), (15), (16), (18), (19), (21), (24), (26), (27), (29), (32), (34), (36), and (37))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Appropriations</u> to the engrossed bill:

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

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Judiciary B to the reengrossed bill

1. Clarifies effective date.

$\frac{Committee\ Amendments\ Proposed\ by\ Senate\ Committee\ on\ Finance\ to\ the\ reengrossed}{\underline{bill}}$

- 1. Adds one ADA to the 12th JDC.
- 2. Adds two ADA to the 14th JDC.
- 3. Adds three ADA to the 18th JDC.
- 4. Adds seven ADA to the 19th JDC.
- 5. Adds one ADA to the 26th JDC.
- 6. Adds one ADA to the 27th JDC.
- 7. Adds two ADA to the 32^{nd} JDC.
- 8. Adds one ADA to the 34th JDC.

- 9. All additional ADA positions shall be approved by the Governor's Advisory and Review Commission on Assistant District Attorneys.
- 10. If the additional ADA positions are not approved by the Governor's Advisory and Review Commission on Assistant District Attorneys, it will not affect the additional ADA positions in the Act.