
SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2024 Second Extraordinary Session

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Judiciary B to Original Senate Bill No. 8
by Senator Reese

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 2, after "147(A)," insert "the introductory paragraph of (B),"

3 AMENDMENT NO. 2

4 On page 1, at the beginning of line 8, after "168(D)" and before the comma "," insert "and
5 (E)"

6 AMENDMENT NO. 3

7 On page 1, at the end of line 12, after "and D," change "187.7(B)" to "185.7(B)", delete
8 "the", delete line 13, and at the beginning of line 14, delete "(C)(3),"

9 AMENDMENT NO. 4

10 On page 1, line 17, after "162.1" delete the remainder of the line and insert the following:
11 " , 168(F), and 185.9, relative to indigent"

12 AMENDMENT NO. 5

13 On page 2, line 17, after "147(A)," insert "the introductory paragraph of (B),"

14 AMENDMENT NO. 6

15 On page 2, line 22, after "168(D)" and before the comma "," insert "and (E)"

16 AMENDMENT NO. 7

17 On page 2, line 27, after "and (D)," change "187.7(B)," to "185.7(B)," , delete the remainder
18 of the line, and at the beginning of line 28, delete "paragraph of (C) and (C)(3),"

19 AMENDMENT NO. 8

20 On page 4, line 5, after "attorney" insert "employed by or"

21 AMENDMENT NO. 9

22 On page 4, at the end of line 22 and at the beginning of line 23, insert "employed by or"

23 AMENDMENT NO. 10

24 On page 6, line 12, after "**term of**" change "**six**" to "**two**"

25 AMENDMENT NO. 11

26 On page 7, at the end of line 16, add the following:

27 **"The office shall review and approve budget proposals submitted by the district**
28 **public defenders on behalf of their districts, considering variations in public**
29 **defense practices, past practices and procedures, and conditions unique to each**
30 **district in evaluating the strategic plan and budget proposals on the district**
31 **level."**

1 AMENDMENT NO. 12

2 On page 13, delete line 23, and insert "**B.**"

3 AMENDMENT NO. 13

4 On page 17, at the beginning of line 18, before "contract" insert "employ or"

5 AMENDMENT NO. 14

6 On page 19, line 17, after "**Contract**" insert "**, for a period of up to five years,**"

7 AMENDMENT NO. 15

8 On page 19, at the beginning of line 25, before "under contract" insert "employed by or"

9 AMENDMENT NO. 16

10 On page 21, at the end of line 21, after "**office shall**" insert "employ **or**"

11 AMENDMENT NO. 17

12 On page 22, at the end of line 2, after "appropriateness of" insert "employing **or**"

13 AMENDMENT NO. 18

14 On page 22, line 5, after "**office to**" insert "employ **or**"

15 AMENDMENT NO. 19

16 On page 26, line 10, after "applicable, to" insert "**employ or**"

17 AMENDMENT NO. 20

18 On page 29, delete lines 8 through 14 and insert the following:

19 ~~"E. Any surplus monies in the judicial district indigent defender fund on~~
20 ~~August 15, 2007, shall be retained in that judicial district and remain in the judicial~~
21 ~~district indigent defender fund. Any unexpended and unencumbered monies in the~~
22 ~~judicial district indigent defender fund at the close of each fiscal year shall remain~~
23 ~~in the judicial district indigent defender fund. Monies in the fund shall be~~
24 ~~administered and used solely and exclusively for purposes of delivering indigent~~
25 ~~defender services in that judicial district."~~

26 AMENDMENT NO. 21

27 On page 29, at the beginning of line 15 change "F:(1)" to "**E.**(1)"

28 AMENDMENT NO. 22

29 On page 35, line 26, after "an attorney" insert "employed by or"

30 AMENDMENT NO. 23

31 On page 36, at the end of line 8 and the beginning of line 9, insert "employed by or"

32 AMENDMENT NO. 24

33 On page 37, line 17, after "Provide for the" insert "employing or"

1 AMENDMENT NO. 25

2 On page 41, delete lines 6 through 29, and on page 42, delete lines 1 and 2

3 AMENDMENT NO. 26

4 On page 45, line 10, after "162.1," delete the remainder of the line and insert the following:

5 "168(F), and 185.9 are hereby repealed."

6 AMENDMENT NO. 27

7 On page 45, between lines 10 and 11, insert the following:

8 "Section 3. Nothing in this Act shall be construed to impede or nullify any existing
9 contract in which the Louisiana Public Defender Board is a party. The office of the state
10 public defender shall honor all contracts in which the board is a party through June 30, 2024.

11 Section 4. Subject to a satisfactory performance and compliance evaluation, a public
12 defender who has an existing contract with the Louisiana Public Defender Board for Fiscal
13 Year 2023-2024, shall have the option to renew the contract with the office of the state
14 public defender for Fiscal Year 2024-2025, subject to appropriation."

15 AMENDMENT NO. 28

16 On page 45, line 11, change "Section 3." to "Section 5."