

HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS**HB 477****2022 Regular Session****Coussan**

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

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Makes technical changes.
2. Changes effective date from August 1, 2022 to upon signature of the governor.
3. Adds eight additional assistant district attorneys subject to approval by the commission.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

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

Proposed law 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 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.
- (14) 37th JDC from 2 to 3.

Section 1 of proposed law 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 proposed law shall become effective upon signature of the governor; if vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, proposed law becomes effective on the day following such approval by the legislature.

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

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

Proposed law provides that if any additional district attorney positions provided for in Section 2 of this Act are 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.

Proposed law 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))