The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Michael Bell.

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<u>Present law</u> provides that district attorneys serve as the regular attorneys and counsel for the police juries within their respective districts. However, <u>present law</u> does not prevent or prohibit the governing authorities of the parishes of St. Charles, St. John the Baptist, Ouachita, Morehouse, Calcasieu, and Vermilion from each employing or retaining its own attorney to represent it generally. <u>Present law</u> provides that the employment of attorneys by the governing authorities relieve the district attorneys of the judicial districts serving the parishes of St. Charles, St. John the Baptist, Ouachita, Morehouse, Calcasieu, and Vermilion from any further duty of representing the governing authorities.

## Proposed law retains present law.

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<u>Proposed law</u> further provides that <u>present law</u> does not prevent or prohibit the governing authority of Acadia Parish from employing or retaining its own attorney to represent it generally. In such event, the district attorney of the judicial district serving the parish of Acadia is relieved from any further duty of representing the governing authority.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 16:2(B) and R.S. 42:261(F))