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Abstract: Provides for the authority of the attorney general to intervene in officer-involved incidents which cause serious bodily injury or death to another individual.

<u>Present constitution</u> (Art. IV, §8) authorizes the attorney general to intervene in criminal proceedings in certain circumstances.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires law enforcement agencies to report officer-involved incidents to the district court with jurisdiction within 72 hours of the incident. The court shall refer the matter to the attorney general, and the attorney general shall either: (1) institute, prosecute, or intervene in the criminal proceeding involving an officer-involved incident, or (2) appoint a special prosecutor to perform the duties of the district attorney who would have otherwise had charge of the prosecution.

Proposed law defines "officer-involved incidents" and "serious bodily injury".

(Adds R.S. 49:260)