

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **DIGEST**

In Texas, district attorneys may maintain an independent law practice to supplement their pay unless they are listed in the Professional Prosecutors Act, which provides additional state funding to supplement existing salaries in exchange for prohibiting the prosecutor from the private practice of law. Only about 20 elected prosecutors in Texas are not subject to the Professional Prosecutors Act.

This bill would include the district attorney for the 100th Judicial District in the Professional Prosecutors Act.

### **PURPOSE**

As proposed, H.B. 293 includes the district attorney for the 100th Judicial District in the Professional Prosecutors Act.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Section 46.002, Government Code, to provide that this chapter applies only to certain prosecutors, including the district attorney for the 100th Judicial District.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 1997.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.