

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Many district attorneys (prosecutors) hold public office while maintaining private practices due to financial necessity. In some instances this practice can hamper a prosecutor's ability to focus all necessary attention on official prosecutorial duties. H.B. 497 supplements the salary of the district attorney of the 31st Judicial District when that prosecutor foregoes a private practice to concentrate solely on prosecutorial duties by providing that the professional prosecutors law is applicable to a state prosecutor for the 31st Judicial District.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly 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 to all county prosecutors and to certain state prosecutors, including the district attorney for the 31st Judicial District.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2001.