

1-1 By: Kolkhorst S.B. No. 950
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 15, 2023; March 3, 2023,
 1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs;
 1-4 April 4, 2023, reported adversely, with favorable Committee
 1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 1; April 4, 2023,
 1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	X			
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1-20 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 950 By: Hughes

1-21 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-22 AN ACT

1-23 relating to the attorney general's defense of a district or county
 1-24 attorney against certain lawsuits in federal court.

1-25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-26 SECTION 1. The heading to Section 402.024, Government Code,
 1-27 is amended to read as follows:

1-28 Sec. 402.024. DEFENSE OF DISTRICT ATTORNEY, COUNTY
 1-29 ATTORNEY, OR GRAND JUROR.

1-30 SECTION 2. Section 402.024, Government Code, is amended by
 1-31 adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

1-32 (c) The attorney general may defend a state district
 1-33 attorney or a county attorney in an action in a federal court if:

1-34 (1) the district or county attorney is a defendant
 1-35 because of the district or county attorney's office;

1-36 (2) the cause of action relates to the enforcement of a
 1-37 state statute; and

1-38 (3) the district or county attorney requests the
 1-39 attorney general's assistance in the defense.

1-40 SECTION 3. Section 402.024, Government Code, as amended by
 1-41 this Act, applies only to a court action filed in federal court on
 1-42 or after the effective date of this Act. A court action filed
 1-43 before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in
 1-44 effect on the date the action was filed, and the former law is
 1-45 continued in effect for that purpose.

1-46 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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