Amend CSHB 3 in Article III by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION and renumbering the other SECTIONS of Article III accordingly:

SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. (a) In any action in state or federal court involving a legal challenge to one or more districts established by this Act, the attorney general may not retain an attorney who is not a full-time employee of the office of the attorney general to represent this state or an officer of this state, or to assist or advise the attorney general in that representation.

(b) The attorney general may not employ an attorney to represent this state or an officer of this state, or to assist or advise the attorney general in that representation, as described by Subsection (a) of this section, at a salary rate in excess of the average salary rate paid to the 10 employees of the office of the attorney general with the highest annual salaries for the month of January, 2003.