

AN ACT

relating to the duties of the district attorney and the county attorney in Wharton County.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 43.1775(c), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(c) At the request of the county attorney, the ~~[The]~~ district attorney may assist the county attorney in the prosecution of juvenile cases ~~[represents the state in proceedings]~~ under Title 3, Family Code.

SECTION 2. Section 45.341, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsections (d) and (e) to read as follows:

(d) The county attorney represents the state in proceedings under Title 3, Family Code.

(e) The county attorney represents the Wharton County Drainage District.

SECTION 3. The change in law made by this Act regarding proceedings under Title 3, Family Code, applies only to a proceeding commenced on or after the effective date of this Act. A proceeding commenced before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect at the time the proceeding was commenced, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1677 was passed by the House on April 3, 2003, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1677 was passed by the Senate on May 1, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

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Governor