

By: Ogden

S.B. No. 1932

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the performance of the duties of a district attorney by the prison prosecution unit in Trinity County.

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

SECTION 1. Section 43.171, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(c) An attorney who is employed by the prison prosecution unit shall perform the duties of the district attorney if there is a vacancy in the office of district attorney serving the county. The attorney who is employed by the prison prosecution unit shall perform the duties of district attorney only until the vacancy in the county's office of district attorney is filled by the governor or a district attorney is elected by the voters of the district. This subsection expires February 1, 2005.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO. 1

Amend S.B. No. 1932, in SECTION 1 of the bill, in proposed Section 43.171(c), Government Code (page 1, line 14), before "This subsection expires February 1, 2005." by inserting "The duties under this subsection are in addition to the duties of the prison prosecution unit and the attorney employed by the prison prosecution unit. The prison prosecution unit and the attorney employed by the prison prosecution unit are not entitled to additional compensation or reimbursement."

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