By: Hagenbuch S.B. No. 1457

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to a district or county attorney participating as counsel
- 3 in certain proceedings.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Article 2A.105(b), Code of Criminal Procedure,
- 6 is amended to read as follows:
- 7 (b) A district or county attorney may not:
- 8 (1) be of counsel adversely to the state in any case in
- 9 any court except as an attorney ad litem appointed under Chapter
- 10 262, Family Code; or
- 11 (2) after the attorney ceases to be a district or
- 12 county attorney, be of counsel adversely to the state in any case in
- 13 which the attorney has been of counsel for the state.
- 14 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
- 15 to the prosecution of an offense committed on or after the effective
- 16 date of this Act. The prosecution of an offense committed before
- 17 the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on
- 18 the date the offense was committed, and the former law is continued
- 19 in effect for that purpose. For purposes of this section, an
- 20 offense was committed before the effective date of this Act if any
- 21 element of the offense occurred before that date.
- 22 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.