

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, Texas law requires the district attorney of the 156th Judicial District to represent Bee, Live Oak, and McMullen counties in district court. McMullen County currently does not have a county attorney because there is not enough work to justify hiring one full-time. This bill will require the district attorney to perform the duties of the county attorney for McMullen County if there is no county attorney for that county.

PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 401 requires the district attorney to perform the duties of the county attorney if there is no county attorney in McMullen County.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 43.161, Government Code, to require the district attorney to perform the duties of the county attorney in McMullen County, if there is no county attorney in McMullen County. Makes a conforming change.

SECTION 2. Emergency clause.
Effective date: upon passage.