

State of Misconsin 2025 - 2026 LEGISLATURE

LRB-0623/P1 MJW:skw

DOA:.....Richter, BB0012 - Allow counties with a population between 200,000 and 750,000 to appoint up to four deputy district attorneys

FOR 2025-2027 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

AN ACT ...; relating to: the budget.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau COURTS AND PROCEDURE

DISTRICT ATTORNEYS

Increase in deputy district attorney allocation

The bill increases the number of deputy district attorneys that may be appointed in a prosecutorial unit with a population of 200,000 or more but less than 750,000 from three deputy district attorneys to four deputy district attorneys.

For further information see the state fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 978.03 (1m) of the statutes is amended to read:

978.03 (1m) The district attorney of any prosecutorial unit having a population of 200,000 or more but less than 750,000 may appoint -3- 4 deputy district attorneys and such assistant district attorneys as may be requested by the department of administration and authorized in accordance with s. 16.505. The district attorney shall rank the deputy district attorneys for purposes of carrying out duties under this section. The deputies, according to rank, may perform any duty of the district attorney, under the district attorney's direction. In the absence or disability of the district attorney, the deputies, according to rank, may perform

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any act required by law to be performed by the district attorney. Any such deputy must have practiced law in this state for at least 2 years prior to appointment under this section.

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