

**Adopted**  
**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO 1 PROPOSED TO**

**House Bill No. 905**

**BY: Committee**

**Amend by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting  
in lieu thereof the following:**

5       **SECTION 1.** Section 25-31-5, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
6 amended as follows:  
7       25-31-5. (1) The following number of full-time legal  
8 assistants are authorized in the following circuit court  
9 districts:  
10           (a) First Circuit Court District..... eight (8)  
11 legal assistants.  
12           (b) Second Circuit Court District..... nine (9)  
13 legal assistants.  
14           (c) Third Circuit Court District..... five (5)  
15 legal assistants.  
16           (d) Fourth Circuit Court District..... five (5)  
17 legal assistants.  
18           (e) Fifth Circuit Court District..... four (4)  
19 legal assistants.  
20           (f) Sixth Circuit Court District..... two (2)  
21 legal assistants.  
22           (g) Seventh Circuit Court District..... ten (10)  
23 legal assistants.

24                   (h) Eighth Circuit Court District..... two (2)  
 25 legal assistants.  
 26                   (i) Ninth Circuit Court District..... two (2)  
 27 legal assistants.  
 28                   (j) Tenth Circuit Court District..... four (4)  
 29 legal assistants.  
 30                   (k) Eleventh Circuit Court District..... five (5)  
 31 legal assistants.  
 32                   (l) Twelfth Circuit Court District..... three (3)  
 33 legal assistants.  
 34                   (m) Thirteenth Circuit Court District..... two (2)  
 35 legal assistants.  
 36                   (n) Fourteenth Circuit Court District.... three (3)  
 37 legal assistants.  
 38                   (o) Fifteenth Circuit Court District..... five (5)  
 39 legal assistants.  
 40                   (p) Sixteenth Circuit Court District..... four (4)  
 41 legal assistants.  
 42                   (q) Seventeenth Circuit Court District.... six (6)  
 43 legal assistants.  
 44                   (r) Eighteenth Circuit Court District..... two (2)  
 45 legal assistants.  
 46                   (s) Nineteenth Circuit Court District.... four (4)  
 47 legal assistants.  
 48                   (t) Twentieth Circuit Court District..... four (4)  
 49 legal assistants.  
 50                   (u) Twenty-first Circuit Court District... two (2)  
 51 legal assistants.  
 52                   (v) Twenty-second Circuit Court District.. two (2)  
 53 legal assistants.  
 54           (2) In addition to any legal assistants authorized pursuant  
 55 to subsection (1) of this section, the following number of

56 full-time legal assistants are authorized (i) in the following  
57 circuit court districts if funds are appropriated by the  
58 Legislature to adequately fund the salaries, expenses and fringe  
59 benefits of such legal assistants, or (ii) in any of the following  
60 circuit court districts in which the board of supervisors of one  
61 or more of the counties in a circuit court district adopts a  
62 resolution to pay all of the salaries, supplemental pay, expenses  
63 and fringe benefits of legal assistants authorized in such  
64 district pursuant to this subsection:

65           (a) First Circuit Court District..... two (2)  
66 legal assistants.

67           (b) Second Circuit Court District..... two (2)  
68 legal assistants.

69           (c) Third Circuit Court District..... two (2)  
70 legal assistants.

71           (d) Fourth Circuit Court District..... two (2)  
72 legal assistants.

73           (e) Fifth Circuit Court District..... two (2)  
74 legal assistants.

75           (f) Sixth Circuit Court District..... two (2)  
76 legal assistants.

77           (g) Seventh Circuit Court District..... two (2)  
78 legal assistants.

79           (h) Eighth Circuit Court District..... two (2)  
80 legal assistants.

81           (i) Ninth Circuit Court District..... two (2)  
82 legal assistants.

83           (j) Tenth Circuit Court District..... two (2)  
84 legal assistants.

85           (k) Eleventh Circuit Court District..... two (2)  
86 legal assistants.

87           (l) Twelfth Circuit Court District..... two (2)

88 legal assistants.

89 (m) Thirteenth Circuit Court District..... two (2)

90 legal assistants.

91 (n) Fourteenth Circuit Court District..... two (2)

92 legal assistants.

93 (o) Fifteenth Circuit Court District..... two (2)

94 legal assistants.

95 (p) Sixteenth Circuit Court District..... two (2)

96 legal assistants.

97 (q) Seventeenth Circuit Court District..... two (2)

98 legal assistants.

99 (r) Eighteenth Circuit Court District..... two (2)

100 legal assistants.

101 (s) Nineteenth Circuit Court District..... two (2)

102 legal assistants.

103 (t) Twentieth Circuit Court District..... two (2)

104 legal assistants.

105 (u) Twenty-first Circuit Court District.... two (2)

106 legal assistants.

107 (v) Twenty-second Circuit Court District... two (2)

108 legal assistants.

109 (3) The board of supervisors of any county may pay all or a

110 part of the salary, supplemental pay, expenses and fringe benefits

111 of any district attorney or legal assistant authorized in the

112 circuit court district to which such county belongs pursuant to

113 this section.

114 (4) The board of supervisors of any county may hire

115 additional legal assistants to any district attorney for the

116 circuit court district to which such county belongs without regard

117 to the number limitations contained in this section to the extent

118 the county receives federal money due to Hurricane Katrina which

119 may be expended for that purpose.

120       **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
121 and after July 1, 2006 and shall stand repealed on June 30, 2006.

**Further, amend by striking the title in its entirety and  
inserting in lieu thereof the following:**

1       AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 25-31-5, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO  
2 AUTHORIZE EXPENDITURE OF CERTAIN FEDERAL HURRICANE KATRINA FUNDS  
3 FOR ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEYS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.