
HOUSE BILL No. 1025

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Synopsis: Residency of public defenders.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning local government.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 36-1-3-15.6 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
2 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
3 [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: **Sec. 15.6. (a) A county policy does**
4 **not apply to a prosecuting attorney or an employee of a**
5 **prosecuting attorney's office.**
6 **(b) The following may not be subject to a county residency**
7 **requirement:**
8 **(1) A public defender.**
9 **(2) An individual employed by a public defender office or**
10 **agency.**
11 **(3) A judicial officer.**
12 **(4) Court personnel.**
13 **(c) This section does not apply to a chief public defender.**
14 SECTION 2. **An emergency is declared for this act.**

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