
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) The requirement to**
4 **appropriate an amount necessary for the operation of a**
5 **prosecuting attorney's office under IC 33-39-6-2(h) does not**
6 **subject a prosecuting attorney or an employee of a prosecuting**
7 **attorney's office to any county policy.**
8 (b) The following may not be subject to a county residency
9 requirement:
10 (1) A public defender.
11 (2) An individual employed by a public defender office or
12 agency.
13 (3) A judicial officer.
14 (4) Court personnel.
15 (c) This section does not apply to a chief public defender.
16 SECTION 2. An emergency is declared for this act.

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