

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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**HOUSE BILL 679**

Short Title: Divide Prosecutorial District 20A. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Burr.

Referred to: Judiciary I, if favorable, Appropriations.

March 19, 2009

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT TO DIVIDE PROSECUTORIAL DISTRICT 20A INTO DISTRICTS 20A AND  
20E.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 7A-60(a1) reads as rewritten:

"(a1) The counties of the State are organized into prosecutorial districts, and each district has the counties and the number of full-time assistant district attorneys set forth in the following table:

Prosecutorial District	Counties	No. of Full-Time Asst. District Attorneys
1	Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Pasquotank, Perquimans	11
2	Beaufort, Hyde, Martin, Tyrrell, Washington	8
3A	Pitt	11
3B	Carteret, Craven, Pamlico	12
4	Duplin, Jones, Onslow, Sampson	18
5	New Hanover, Pender	18
6A	Halifax	5
6B	Bertie, Hertford, Northampton	6
7	Edgecombe, Nash, Wilson	19
8	Greene, Lenoir, Wayne	14
9	Franklin, Granville, Vance, Warren	12
9A	Person, Caswell	6
10	Wake	42
11	Harnett, Johnston, Lee	19
12	Cumberland	23
13	Bladen, Brunswick, Columbus	13
14	Durham	18
15A	Alamance	11
15B	Orange, Chatham	10
16A	Scotland, Hoke	7



1	16B	Robeson	13
2	17A	Rockingham	7
3	17B	Stokes, Surry	8
4	18	Guilford	32
5	19A	Cabarrus	9
6	19B	Montgomery, Randolph	10
7	19C	Rowan	8
8	19D	Moore	5
9	20A	Anson, Richmond,	<del>12</del> <u>7</u>
10		<del>Stanly</del>	
11	20B	Union	10
12	<u>20E</u>	<u>Stanly</u>	<u>5</u>
13	21	Forsyth	25
14	22A	Alexander, Iredell	11
15	22B	Davidson, Davie	11
16	23	Alleghany, Ashe, Wilkes,	8
17		Yadkin	
18	24	Avery, Madison, Mitchell,	7
19		Watauga, Yancey	
20	25	Burke, Caldwell, Catawba	19
21	26	Mecklenburg	58
22	27A	Gaston	15
23	27B	Cleveland,	11
24		Lincoln	
25	28	Buncombe	14
26	29A	McDowell, Rutherford	7
27	29B	Henderson, Polk, Transylvania	8
28	30	Cherokee, Clay, Graham,	11
29		Haywood, Jackson, Macon,	
30		Swain."	

**SECTION 2.** The district attorney position established for District 20A by Section 1 of this act shall be filled by the district attorney currently serving District 20A who resides in Richmond County. That district attorney's term expires December 31, 2014, and a successor shall be elected in the 2014 election.

**SECTION 3.** The district attorney position established for District 20E by Section 1 of this act shall be filled by election in the 2010 election for a four-year term commencing January 1, 2011.

**SECTION 4.** The seven assistant district attorney positions established for District 20A by Section 1 of this act shall be filled by seven assistant district attorneys currently serving Anson and Richmond Counties in District 20A. The five assistant district attorney positions established for District 20E by Section 1 of this act shall be filled by five assistant district attorneys currently serving Stanly County in District 20A.

**SECTION 5.** G.S. 7A-69 reads as rewritten:

**"§ 7A-69. Investigatorial assistants.**

The district attorney in prosecutorial districts 1, 3B, 4, 5, 7, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15A, 15B, 16A, 18, 19B, 20A, 20B, 20E, 21, 22A, 22B, 24, 25, 26, 27A, 27B, 28, 29A, 29B, and 30 is entitled to one investigatorial assistant, and the district attorney in prosecutorial district 10 is entitled to two investigatorial assistants, to be appointed by the district attorney and to serve at his pleasure.

It shall be the duty of the investigatorial assistant to investigate cases preparatory to trial and to perform such other Duties as may be assigned by the district attorney. The

1 investigatorial assistant is entitled to reimbursement for his subsistence and travel expenses to  
2 the same extent as State employees generally."

3         **SECTION 6.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Judicial  
4 Department the sum of one hundred eighty-two thousand eight hundred nine dollars (\$182,809)  
5 for the 2010-2011 fiscal year to implement the provisions of this act by funding a new district  
6 attorney position, a new administrative assistant III position, and a new district attorney  
7 investigator.

8         **SECTION 7.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2011, but applies to the 2010  
9 election as provided in Section 3 of this act.