



SENATE BILL 196, Part VI: GSC Sale of Property Amend/Delay Prosec Split.

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OVERVIEW: *Part VI of the Proposed Committee Substitute (PCS) to Senate Bill 196 would delay the reassignment of the counties for Prosecutorial District 36 into two separate prosecutorial districts until January 1, 2027.*

CURRENT LAW: S. L. 2018-121 reassigned Prosecutorial District 36 consisting of Burke, Caldwell, and Catawba Counties into two separate prosecutorial districts, effective January 1, 2023. On that date, Burke and Caldwell Counties will remain in Prosecutorial District 36. Catawba County will be assigned to Prosecutorial District 44. All open investigations and pending cases for Prosecutorial District 36 on January 1, 2023, will be transferred to either Prosecutorial District 36 or Prosecutorial District 44, as appropriate.

When enacted in 2018, S.L. 2018-121, there were 19 assistant district attorneys (ADAs) assigned to Prosecutorial District 36, and the language assigned nine ADAs to Prosecutorial District 36 and 10 ADAs to Prosecutorial District 44. In 2019, the number of ADAs assigned to Prosecutorial District 36 was increased to 20, effective July 1, 2019. S.L. 2019-229.

BILL ANALYSIS: Part VI of the PCS to Senate Bill 196 would delay the reassignment of Prosecutorial District 36 into two separate Prosecutorial Districts until effective January 1, 2027, with elections in 2026 to be held accordingly. The 20 ADAs assigned to Prosecutorial District 36 would be divided evenly between the two districts on January 1, 2027, with 10 ADAs to be assigned to each of the two districts.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Effective when it becomes law.

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