# Second Regular Session Sixty-eighth General Assembly STATE OF COLORADO

## **ENGROSSED**

This Version Includes All Amendments Adopted on Second Reading in the House of Introduction

LLS NO. 12-0514.01 Michael Dohr x4347

**HOUSE BILL 12-1026** 

#### **HOUSE SPONSORSHIP**

Coram,

SENATE SPONSORSHIP

Roberts,

**House Committees** 

**Senate Committees** 

Judiciary

101

102

#### A BILL FOR AN ACT

CONCERNING PEACE OFFICER STATUS FOR CERTAIN MUNICIPALITY PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS.

### **Bill Summary**

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries.)

The bill confers peace officer status on a city attorney, town attorney, senior assistant city attorney, assistant city attorney, chief deputy city attorney, deputy city attorney, special deputy city attorney, prosecuting attorney, senior prosecutor, or special prosecutor employed or contracted by a municipality, city, town,

statutory city or town, or city and county. The attorney may be certified by the peace officers standards and training board.

1 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado: 2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 16-2.5-149 as 3 follows: 4 16-2.5-149. City attorney - town attorney - senior assistant city 5 attorney - assistant city attorney - chief deputy city attorney - deputy 6 city attorney - special deputy city attorney - prosecuting attorney -7 senior prosecuting attorney - senior prosecutor - special prosecutor. 8 A CITY ATTORNEY, TOWN ATTORNEY, SENIOR ASSISTANT CITY 9 ATTORNEY, ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY, CHIEF DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY, 10 DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY, SPECIAL DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY, PROSECUTING 11 ATTORNEY, SENIOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY, SENIOR PROSECUTOR, OR 12 SPECIAL PROSECUTOR EMPLOYED OR CONTRACTED BY A MUNICIPALITY, 13 CITY, TOWN, STATUTORY CITY OR TOWN, OR CITY AND COUNTY IS A PEACE 14 OFFICER ONLY WHILE ENGAGED IN THE PERFORMANCE OF HIS OR HER 15 DUTIES AS A PROSECUTOR. SUCH PEACE OFFICER'S AUTHORITY SHALL 16 INCLUDE THE ENFORCEMENT OF ALL LAWS OF THE MUNICIPALITY, CITY, 17 TOWN, STATUTORY CITY OR TOWN, OR CITY AND COUNTY AND THE STATE 18 OF COLORADO, AND THE PEACE OFFICER MAY BE CERTIFIED BY THE 19 P.O.S.T. BOARD. 20 (2) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (1) OF 21 THIS SECTION, THE PEACE OFFICER STATUS CONFERRED BY SUBSECTION (1) 22 OF THIS SECTION SHALL NOT BE AVAILABLE TO AN ATTORNEY SPECIFIED IN 23 SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION WHO CHOOSES TO PRACTICE AS A 24 CRIMINAL DEFENSE ATTORNEY IN THE STATE OF COLORADO WHILE ALSO 25 WORKING AS A PROSECUTING ATTORNEY OR AN ATTORNEY WHO

-2-

1	CONTRACTS WITH A MUNICIPALITY, CITY, TOWN, STATUTORY CITY OR
2	TOWN, OR CITY AND COUNTY, LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO SERVE AS A CITY
3	ATTORNEY, TOWN ATTORNEY, SENIOR ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY
4	ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY, CHIEF DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY, DEPUTY CITY
5	ATTORNEY, SPECIAL DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY, PROSECUTING ATTORNEY
6	SENIOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY, SENIOR PROSECUTOR, OR SPECIAL
7	PROSECUTOR ON A LESS THAN A FULL-TIME BASIS.
8	SECTION 2. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds,
9	determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
10	preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

-3-