

Amendment No. 2

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED	___	(Y/N)
ADOPTED AS AMENDED	___	(Y/N)
ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION	___	(Y/N)
FAILED TO ADOPT	___	(Y/N)
WITHDRAWN	___	(Y/N)
OTHER	_____	

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1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Appropriations Committee  
 2 Representative Fernandez-Barquin offered the following:

**Amendment**

Between lines 56 and 57, insert:

Section 2. Subsection (4) of section 27.51, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

27.51 Duties of public defender.—

(4) The public defender for the judicial circuit specified in this subsection shall, after the record on appeal is transmitted to the appellate court by the office of the public defender which handled the trial and if requested by any public defender within the indicated appellate district, handle all circuit court and county court appeals within the state courts system and any authorized appeals to the federal courts required of the official making such request:

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17 (a) Public defender of the second judicial circuit, on  
18 behalf of any public defender within the district comprising the  
19 First District Court of Appeal.

20 (b) Public defender of the tenth judicial circuit, on  
21 behalf of any public defender within the district comprising the  
22 Second District Court of Appeal.

23 (c) Public defender of the eleventh judicial circuit, on  
24 behalf of any public defender within the district comprising the  
25 Third District Court of Appeal.

26 (d) Public defender of the fifteenth judicial circuit, on  
27 behalf of any public defender within the district comprising the  
28 Fourth District Court of Appeal.

29 (e) Public defender of the seventh judicial circuit, on  
30 behalf of any public defender within the district comprising the  
31 Fifth District Court of Appeal.

32 Section 3. Subsection (8) of section 27.511, Florida  
33 Statutes, is amended to read:

34 27.511 Offices of criminal conflict and civil regional  
35 counsel; legislative intent; qualifications; appointment;  
36 duties.—

37 (8) The public defender for the judicial circuit specified  
38 in s. 27.51(4) shall, after the record on appeal is transmitted  
39 to the appellate court by the office of criminal conflict and  
40 civil regional counsel which handled the trial and if requested  
41 by the regional counsel for the indicated appellate district,

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42 | handle all circuit court and county court appeals authorized  
43 | pursuant to paragraph (5) (f) within the state courts system and  
44 | any authorized appeals to the federal courts required of the  
45 | official making the request. If the public defender certifies to  
46 | the court that the public defender has a conflict consistent  
47 | with the criteria prescribed in s. 27.5303 and moves to  
48 | withdraw, the regional counsel shall handle the appeal, unless  
49 | the regional counsel has a conflict, in which case the court  
50 | shall appoint private counsel pursuant to s. 27.40.