

THE FLORIDA SENATE
2023-B SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED
Committee on Fiscal Policy

SB 4-B — Statewide Prosecutor

by Senator Martin

Current law authorizes the Office of Statewide Prosecution to investigate and prosecute a list of enumerated crimes if certain conditions are met. This bill removes election-related issues from that enumerated list, relocates them to a new paragraph, and more clearly delineates the election-related crimes over which the statewide prosecutor has concurrent jurisdiction with the state attorneys to prosecute.

The bill also conforms the statewide prosecutor’s jurisdiction over election-related crimes to the State Constitution by deleting the current statutory requirement that such a crime be connected to an organized criminal conspiracy that affects two or more judicial circuits, to simply require the crime have affected two or more judicial circuits.

If approved by the Governor, or allowed to become law without the Governor’s signature, these provisions take effect upon becoming law.

Vote: Senate 27-12; House 77-33