HB 41 -- LAW ENFORCEMENT

SPONSOR: McCann Beatty

This bill requires the appropriate court judge to appoint a special prosecutor when the prosecutor in any county or St. Louis City files charges or receives a complaint against a law enforcement officer from actions arising out of an officer-involved shooting. The special prosecutor must take over prosecutorial duties until the final disposition of the case.

The appropriate court judge may appoint any attorney licensed in Missouri as special prosecutor. If the special prosecutor is a prosecutor in any county or St. Louis City, then the attorney will receive no additional compensation for serving as a special prosecutor. If the special prosecutor is not a prosecutor in any county or St. Louis City, then the attorney will receive a reasonable fee for serving as special prosecutor. The fee will be determined by the judge appointing the attorney and will be paid by the office of the prosecutor in the jurisdiction in which the complaint or charge is filed.

This bill is the same as HB 1560 (2016).