HB 1945 -- CIRCUIT CLERKS

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Currently, the presiding judge of a circuit court has general administrative authority over any elected or appointed circuit clerk. Additionally, the presiding judge is authorized to make an assignment of any administrative or supervisory role within the circuit clerk's office.

This bill specifies that the presiding judge shall not have any general administrative authority of any election or appointed circuit clerk and each circuit clerk will have administrative control over and be responsible for the safekeeping of various records, as specified in the bill.

The bill also gives the circuit clerk administrative control and appointing authority over all the deputy division clerks including removing any deputy or division clerk whom he or she appoints.