## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Authorizes the legislature to provide for civil service positions held by employees of the city of New Orleans and employees of the sewerage and water board.

<u>Present constitution</u> provides that the city civil service is established and includes all persons holding offices and positions of trust or employment in the employ of each city having over 400,000 population and in every instrumentality thereof. Provides that paid firemen and municipal policemen may be excluded if a majority of the electors in the affected city voting at an election held for that purpose approve their exclusion. Requires that the election be called by the municipal governing authority within one year after the effective date of the constitution.

<u>Present constitution</u> provides that each city commission established by <u>present law</u> shall have the exclusive power and authority to hear and decide all removal and disciplinary cases.

<u>Proposed constitutional amendment</u> would retain the <u>present constitutional provisions</u> but authorize the legislature to provide by local law for positions held by employees of the city of New Orleans and employees of the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans who are included in the city civil service for the city of New Orleans.

Provides for submission of the proposed amendment to the voters at the statewide election to be held Nov. 3, 2026.

(Amends Const. Art. X, §§1(B) and 12(B))