The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Michael Bell.

DIGEST

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Present law provides that the officers of every municipality governed by the provisions of the Lawrason Act (mayor-board of aldermen form of government) shall be a mayor, alderman, a chief of police, a tax collector, a clerk, and a street commissioner. Generally provides for election, at large, of the police chief. Provides for appointment of a police chief in certain specified municipalities.

Proposed law provides an exception for the police chief in the town of Basile. Provides that such police chief shall be appointed by the mayor with the approval of the board of aldermen by majority vote. Provides for appointment to be effective upon expiration of the current term or immediately if there is a vacancy or the office is filled by a temporary appointment. Provides that the police chief's term shall be concurrent with that of the mayor and aldermen.

Proposed law provides that the board of aldermen, upon recommendation of the mayor, shall establish the salary of the office and shall, by ordinance, establish the duties, responsibilities, and qualifications of the office and that the chief shall report directly to the mayor.

Effective August 1, 2019.

(Adds R.S. 33:381(C)(35))