

2016 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 116

BY REPRESENTATIVES CARMODY AND JIM MORRIS

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 13:2583.3(A), relative to the office of constable in Caddo Parish;  
3 to require each constable of Caddo Parish to report certain information relative to the  
4 deputy constable; to require such information to be reported annually to the sheriff;  
5 and to provide for related matters.

6 Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published  
7 as provided by Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of  
8 Louisiana.

9 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

10 Section 1. R.S. 13:2583.3(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:  
11 §2583.3. Deputies; oath; compensation; Caddo Parish

12 A.(1) Each duly elected constable of a justice of the peace court in Caddo  
13 Parish may appoint one deputy constable, if necessary, for whose acts the constable  
14 shall be responsible. Before entering upon his duties, each deputy shall take the oath  
15 required by the constitution and the laws of this state and meet the requirements of  
16 R.S. 40:2405. A duplicate copy of the oath of office shall be filed with the office of  
17 the attorney general within seventy-two hours after being administered. Any deputy  
18 constable appointed pursuant to this Section shall not be entitled to any  
19 compensation from any local governing body or political subdivision, other than the  
20 constable's office, and shall not be entitled to any compensation from the state. Each  
21 constable may fix the compensation of his deputy. He may pay from the fees  
22 generated by his office any compensation due to the deputy, the premiums on bonds  
23 required by him of a deputy in charge of public funds, insurance premiums, and any

1 expenses necessary for the performance of duties required of the deputy. He may  
2 issue monthly or twice per month, at his discretion, warrants or checks for the  
3 amounts due to the deputy.

4 (2) On or before August first of each year, each constable shall report to the  
5 sheriff of Caddo Parish the following information:

6 (a) The full name of the deputy constable and term of employment.

7 (b) Any compensation from all sources paid to the deputy constable for the  
8 previous fiscal year.

9 (c) Any certification of required training, including training certified by the  
10 Council on Peace Officer Standards and Training.

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12 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not  
13 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature  
14 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If  
15 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become  
16 effective on the day following such approval.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_