

2021 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 229

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCFARLAND

MUNICIPALITIES: Provides relative to the chief of police in the village of Dodson

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 33:381(C)(35), relative to the village of Dodson; to provide for the filling of
3 the office of police chief by appointment; to provide for the time and method of
4 appointment and for the salary, term, duties, qualifications, supervision, and
5 residency of an appointed police chief; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide
6 for related matters.

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

10 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

11 Section 1. R.S. 33:381(C)(35) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

12 §381. Municipal officers

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14 C.

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16 (35) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the office
17 of police chief in the village of Dodson shall be an appointive and not an elective
18 office. The mayor, with the approval of the board of aldermen, shall appoint the
19 police chief. The board of aldermen, upon recommendation of the mayor, shall
20 establish the chief's salary and shall, by ordinance, establish the duties,

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. Provides that the mayor, in accordance with such ordinances, shall supervise and direct the administration of the office and that the chief shall report directly to the mayor. Also provides that the chief need not reside within the municipal limits of Dodson.

Provides for initial appointment upon expiration of the current term or other vacancy in the office.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

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