

1 (2)(a) The chief of police is additionally authorized to make a provisional
 2 appointment to immediately fill any vacancy in the police department occurring by
 3 reason of death, resignation, termination, or otherwise subject to the approval of the
 4 mayor of the municipality. Any such action taken by the chief of police shall be
 5 deliberated at the first special or regular meeting of the governing authority of the
 6 municipality after any such provisional appointment has been approved by the
 7 mayor. Any such provisional appointment shall remain in effect unless rejected by
 8 the governing authority of the municipality.

9 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the elected
 10 chief of police in any municipality with a population of not less than one thousand
 11 persons and not more than one thousand five persons as of the latest federal
 12 decennial census is authorized to appoint police personnel, including the authority
 13 to make provisional appointments, subject to the budgetary limitations of the chief
 14 of police pertaining to the number of allotted positions for the police department. All
 15 appointments shall be subject to the concurrence of the mayor of the municipality.

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

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____