

SENATE BILL NO. 423

BY SENATOR WALSWORTH

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 49:220.26, relative to state administration; to provide for reserve investigators
3 in the Louisiana Inspector General's Office; and to provide for related matters.

4 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

5 Section 1. R.S. 49:220.26 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

6 **§220.26. Reserve investigators**

7 **A. Any person who has served as a full time investigator for the office**
8 **of the state inspector general and who retired or otherwise left the full time**
9 **employment of the department in good standing and who has maintained**
10 **certification and currently is certified by the POST Council, or any other person**
11 **who has served as a Louisiana peace officer and who has maintained**
12 **certification and who graduated from a Louisiana POST certified academy may**
13 **be appointed as a reserve investigator for the office of the state inspector**
14 **general.**

15 **B. The inspector general shall be authorized to issue a reserve**
16 **investigator's appointment as provided herein if the person satisfies the**
17 **following requirements:**

18 **(1) Qualifies on the Peace Officer Standards and Training firearms**
19 **course.**

20 **(2) Attends any seminars, workshops, or other meetings on issues related**
21 **to the operation of the office of inspector general which may be required by the**
22 **inspector general.**

23 **(3) Complies with any other rule or regulation as may be required by**
24 **the inspector general.**

25 **C. Each reserve investigator shall have all the powers of and may**
26 **function as a criminal investigator for the office of inspector general, but shall**
27 **receive no compensation for his participation in the reserve investigator**

1 program. Expenses incurred by a reserve investigator in the course and scope
2 of performing his official duties shall be reimbursed.

3 D. The inspector general shall have the power to revoke any reserve
4 investigator's appointment at any time.

5 E. Reserve investigators' appointments shall be valid only for a period
6 of one year from the date of issuance; however, they may be renewed annually
7 at the discretion of the inspector general.

8 F. Upon the recommendation of the inspector general, each reserve
9 investigator shall be eligible to apply to the superintendent of state police for a
10 special officer's commission from the Louisiana Division of State Police under
11 the applicable provisions of R.S. 40:1379.1.

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 in 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
effective on the day following such approval.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____