

SENATE BILL NO. 397

BY SENATOR CONNICK

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:2569, relative to the position of assistant police chief for the city of Westwego; to provide relative to seniority; to provide regarding demotion from the position; to provide relative to corrective and disciplinary actions; and to provide for related matters.

Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 33:2569 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§2569. Assistant police chief; city of Westwego

A. Notwithstanding the provisions of R.S. 33:2541 or any other law to the contrary, the position of assistant chief of police for the city of Westwego shall be in the unclassified service, and the right of selection, appointment, supervision, and discharge for any such position shall be vested in the chief of police of the city.

**B.(1) Any person who is appointed from a position in the classified service to serve as assistant chief of police shall not forfeit his seniority accumulated to the date of his appointment, and he shall continue to accumulate seniority in accordance with the provisions of this Part during the time he holds the position of assistant chief of police.**

**(2) If any such person is demoted, or otherwise vacates the position on the approval of the chief of police, he shall be demoted to a position in the class he held immediately preceding his appointment as assistant chief of police. If an assistant chief of police who is appointed from a position in the classified police service is subjected to corrective disciplinary action, he shall have the same rights as any other employee in the municipal fire and police civil service.**

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

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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