
DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides for the term for Orleans Parish sheriff to begin on the second Mon. in Jan. following election, rather than the first Mon. in May, with the sheriff elected in 2029 serving until his successor takes office on Jan. 9, 2034.

Present law provides that there shall be one sheriff for the parish of Orleans, who shall be elected by the qualified electors of the parish of Orleans. He shall be elected at the election for parochial and municipal officers in Orleans Parish and shall serve for a term of four years.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that the sheriff shall take office and begin his term on the first Mon. in May following his election.

Proposed law repeals present law and instead provides that, the sheriff elected at the election for parochial and municipal officers in Orleans Parish in 2029 shall serve until his successor takes office on Jan. 9, 2034, which will be less than a four year term. Further provides that each sheriff elected thereafter shall take office on the second Mon. in Jan. following election.

(Amends R.S. 13:5581(A))