The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by James Benton.

DIGEST

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Present law provides that if the municipality has less than 100,000 inhabitants, the governing authority of the municipality will regulate the fire department, will provide a sufficient number of officers and men to carry out the purposes of this present law, and will provide a sufficient number of beds for the men on night duty.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that if the municipality has 100,000 or more inhabitants:

(1) The chief engineer or commanding officer of the fire department or other proper authority will regulate the department, fix the hours of duty, provide a sufficient number of officers and men to carry out the purposes of this Subpart, and provide for substitutes in the department.

(2) The members of the department will not perform any hours of service longer than those fixed.

(3) All fire drills will take place during the hours of platoon watch or service.

(4) Sufficient beds will be furnished to each company for the men on night duty.

Proposed law retains present law.

Proposed law provides that if a nonprofit corporation under contract with a fire protection district, municipality, or other political subdivision operates, administers, or maintains a fire department, the provisions of present law shall apply. Additionally, firemen employed by such nonprofit corporation will be considered a firefighter covered by and benefitting from the occupational disease presumptions and other provisions of present law.

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

(Amends R.S. 33:1965)