
DIGEST

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Abstract: Removes the Baton Rouge police department from the municipal fire and police civil service system.

Present constitution creates a system of classified fire and police civil service for all municipalities having a population exceeding 13,000 and operating a regularly paid fire and municipal police department and to all parishes and fire protection districts operating a regularly paid fire department.

Present constitution retains as statutes provisions of the 1921 Constitution of La. applicable to the municipal fire and police civil service. Authorizes the legislature, by law enacted by two-thirds of the elected members of each house, to amend those provisions but prohibits the legislature from abolishing the system or making the system inapplicable to any municipality having a population exceeding 13,000 or to any parish or fire protection district operating a regularly paid fire department.

Proposed law, pursuant to proposed constitutional amendment in House Bill No. ____, removes the Baton Rouge police department from the municipal fire and police civil service system.

Effective if and when the proposed amendment of Article X of the Constitution of La. contained in the Act which originated as House Bill No. __ of this 2024 R.S. of the Legislature is adopted at a statewide election and becomes effective.

(Amends Const. 1921, Art. XIV, Sec. 15.1(1) and R.S. 33:2471(A) and 2476.8; Adds R.S. 33:2476(C)(5); Repeals R.S. 33:2476(B)(1)(e) and 2494(C)(4))