

2016 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 119

BY REPRESENTATIVE MONTOUCET

POLICE/MUNICIPAL: Provides relative to the powers granted to the chief of police for the city of Rayne

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 33:423.26, relative to the Rayne police department; to authorize the police
3 chief to appoint, discipline, and discharge police personnel; and to provide for related
4 matters.

5 Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published
6 as provided by Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of
7 Louisiana.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. R.S. 33:423.26 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

10 §423.26. City of Rayne; authority over police personnel by chief of police

11 Notwithstanding the provisions of R.S. 33:423 or any other provision of law
12 to the contrary, in and for the city of Rayne, the chief of police shall appoint,
13 discipline, and discharge police personnel subject to the budgetary limitations
14 established by the mayor and board of alderman pertaining to the number of allotted
15 positions for the police department.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Authorizes the Rayne police chief to appoint, discipline, and discharge police personnel.

Present law, applicable to most Lawrason Act municipalities, provides that the elected police chief makes recommendations to the mayor and board of alderman regarding the appointment, promotion, discipline, and dismissal of police personnel. Provides that the mayor and alderman are responsible for taking these actions with regard to police personnel.

Proposed law, applicable to Rayne, provides that the police chief appoints, disciplines, and discharges police personnel subject to the budgetary limitations of the mayor and board of alderman pertaining to the number of allotted positions.

(Adds R.S. 33:423.26)