2017 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 164

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAGLEY

1	AN ACT
2	To enact R.S. 33:381(C)(34), relative to the town of Stonewall and DeSoto Parish; to
3	provide for the abolition of the office of police chief and the police department in the
4	town of Stonewall; to authorize the town to contract with other law enforcement
5	entities in the parish for law enforcement services; and to provide for related matters.
6	Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published
7	as provided by Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of
8	Louisiana.
9	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
10	Section 1. R.S. 33:381(C)(34) is hereby enacted to read as follows:
11	§381. Municipal officers
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14	* * *
15	(34)(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the board
16	of aldermen of the town of Stonewall may, upon recommendation of the mayor,
17	abolish the office of chief of police of the town. No such action by the board shall
18	be effective until the end of the term of the police chief in office at the time of that
19	action or when a vacancy occurs in the office, whichever occurs first; however, if at
20	the time of that action the office is filled by an officer temporarily appointed, the
21	abolition of the office shall become effective as provided by ordinance.
22	(b) If the office of chief of police is abolished and the municipal police
23	department is abolished pursuant to R.S. 33:362(C), the mayor and board of

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1	aldermen may contract with or enter into any cooperative endeavor with any law
2	enforcement entity or officer within DeSoto Parish for police services for the town.
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4	Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
5	signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
6	by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
7	vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
8	effective on the day following such approval.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____

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