

2018 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 83

BY SENATOR PERRY

MUNICIPALITIES. Provides relative to qualifications of the chief of police for the town of Gueydan. (gov sig)

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:385.1(A), relative to the town of Gueydan; to provide relative to qualifications of an elected chief of police; and to provide for related matters.

Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 33:385.1(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§385.1. Qualifications of elected chief of police

A. Except as otherwise provided in this Section, an elected chief of police of a municipality shall be an elector of the municipality. At the time of qualification as a candidate for the office of chief of police, he shall have been domiciled for at least the immediately preceding year in the municipality except that a person who resides outside of the corporate limits of the village of Maurice may be elected chief of police. Additionally, a person who resides outside of the corporate limits of the town of Gueydan, but within the territorial limits of Ward ~~Three~~ **Eight** of Vermilion Parish, may be elected chief of police of the town. The provisions of this Section shall not apply to the village of Napoleonville.

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1 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
2 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
3 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
4 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
5 effective on the day following such approval.

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

DIGEST

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Present law requires that the elected chief of police of a municipality be an elector of the municipality and that at the time of qualification as a candidate for the office of chief of police, the candidate has been domiciled for at least the immediately preceding year in the municipality.

Present law does not apply to the village of Napoleonville.

Present law provides for exceptions authorizing a person residing outside the corporate limits of the village of Maurice to be elected chief of police of Maurice and by authorizing a person residing outside the corporate limits of the town of Gueydan, but within Ward 3 of Vermilion Parish, to be elected chief of police of the town.

Proposed law retains present law but changes the jurisdiction from which a person residing outside the corporate limits of the town of Gueydan, from Ward 3 to Ward 8 of Vermilion Parish, to be elected chief of police of the town.

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

(Amends R.S. 33:385.1(A))