2019 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 33

BY REPRESENTATIVE JEFFERSON

POLICE/MUNICIPAL: Provides relative to the powers of the chief of police for the town of Homer

1	AN ACT
2	To enact R.S. 33:423.28, relative to the Homer police department; to authorize the police
3	chief to appoint, promote, and discipline 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. 33:423.28 is hereby enacted to read as follows:
10	§423.28. Town of Homer; authority over police personnel by chief of police
11	Notwithstanding the provisions of R.S. 33:423, in and for the town of Homer,
12	the chief of police shall appoint, promote, discipline, and discharge police personnel
13	subject to the budgetary limitations established by the mayor and board of alderman
14	pertaining to the number of allotted positions for the police department.

DIGEST

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

<u>Present law</u>, 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.

<u>Proposed law</u>, applicable to Homer, authorizes the police chief to appoint, promote, discipline, and discharge police personnel subject to the budgetary limitations of the mayor and board of alderman pertaining to the number of allotted positions.

(Adds R.S. 33:423.28)