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## DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Authorizes the Opelousas police chief to discipline 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 Opelousas, provides that the police chief disciplines police personnel, not including termination, 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)