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Abstract: Authorizes the Shreveport police chief to establish a two-platoon system for employees of the city's police department.

<u>Present law</u> requires the officer having management of the police department in any municipality with a population of more than 50,000 persons to divide the members of the department into three platoons.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> but provides an exception for the city of Shreveport. Authorizes the city's police chief to divide employees of the police department into two platoons.

<u>Present law</u>, applicable to police officers employed at a rank of captain or below in municipalities with a population of between 12,000 and 250,000, provides that such officers shall be paid at 1-1/2 times their normal salary for each hour worked over 40 hours in a week. Authorizes such municipalities to implement a 14-day shift cycle and requires that officers receive overtime pay or compensatory time when the number of hours worked exceeds 80 hours in a two-week period. <u>Present law</u> provides exemptions for specified municipalities. Further provides that the <u>present law</u> provisions do not apply to any employee of the city of Shreveport in a position, grade, or class above lieutenant.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> but repeals the exception for the city of Shreveport. <u>Proposed law</u> additionally authorizes the Shreveport police chief to use a three-platoon system or a two-platoon system to implement any work shift cycle otherwise authorized by law.

(Adds R.S. 33:2197; Repeals R.S. 33:2213(J))