

2021 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 710 (Substitute for House Bill No. 229 by Representative McFarland)

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCFARLAND

MUNICIPALITIES: Provides relative to the chief of police in the village of Dodson

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 33:385.1(B), relative to the village of Dodson; to provide relative
3 to the office of chief of police; to provide relative to qualifications; and to provide
4 for related 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. 33:385.1(B) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

10 §385.1. Qualifications of elected chief of police

11 * * *

12 B.(1) The elected chief of police of a village shall be an elector of the village
13 who at the time of qualification as a candidate for the office of chief of police shall
14 have been domiciled for at least the immediately preceding six months in the village.

15 (2) A person who resides outside of the corporate limits of the village of
16 Dodson, but within the boundaries of Winn Parish, may be elected chief of police of
17 the village.

18 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
19 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
20 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If

1 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
2 effective on the day following such approval.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides relative to qualifications for the police chief of Dodson.

Present law provides relative to qualifications of elected chief of police. Provides that an elected chief of police of a village shall be an elector of the village who at the time of qualification as a candidate for said office shall have been domiciled for at least the immediately preceding six months in the village.

Proposed law provides for an exception for the police chief in Dodson. Provides that a person who resides outside of the corporate limits of the village of Dodson, but within the boundaries of Winn Parish, may be elected chief of police of the village.

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

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