2023 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 226

BY REPRESENTATIVE FARNUM

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 13:1879 and 2583.1(C), relative to certain marshals and
3	constables of city courts; to provide relative to elections and designations of
4	marshals and constables; to provide for the designation of the marshal of the city of
5	Sulphur; to provide relative to qualifications of deputy constables; and to provide for
6	related matters.
7	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
8	Section 1. R.S. 13:1879 and 2583.1(C) are hereby amended and reenacted to read
9	as follows:
10	§1879. Marshals and constables; election; term of office; exceptions for Lake
11	Charles and Baton Rouge
12	A.(1) For Except as provided in Subsection B of this Section, for each city
13	court, except in the city of Lake Charles, there shall be a marshal or constable, as he
14	may be designated. Except as provided in Subsection C Paragraph (B)(1) of this
15	Section, each marshal or constable shall be elected at the congressional election,
16	beginning in the year 1960 and every succeeding six years thereafter, shall serve a
17	term of six years, and shall take office and begin his term on the first day of January
18	following election. In the city of Lake Charles, the marshal shall be designated as
19	the ward three marshal.
20	B: (2) Except as provided in Sub-section C Paragraph (B)(1) of this Section,
21	the term of office of marshals of city courts, whether their respective offices are
22	presently in existence or are subsequently created shall expire on the 31st day of
23	December in the year 1960 and every six years thereafter.

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1	$\underline{\text{B.(1)}}$ The city constable of the city of Baton Rouge shall be elected in
2	accordance with and pursuant to the applicable provisions of the charter of the city
3	of Baton Rouge and the applicable provisions of the plan of government for the
4	parish of East Baton Rouge and the city of Baton Rouge.
5	(2) In the city of Lake Charles, the marshal shall be designated as the ward
6	three marshal.
7	(3) In the city of Sulphur, the marshal shall be designated as the ward four
8	marshal.
9	\overline{D} . Except as otherwise provided by law, the provisions of this Part
10	relating to marshals of city courts and their deputies shall apply to constables of city
11	courts and their deputies.
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13	§2583.1. Deputies; oath; compensation
14	* * *
15	C. The deputy constables authorized by this Section shall have the same
16	qualifications and training as required by law of the constable of the justice of the
17	peace court. The deputy constable need not be a resident of the ward from which the
18	constable is elected, but he must be a resident of the parish within which the ward
19	is located this state.
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