Regular Session, 2013

HOUSE BILL NO. 180

## BY REPRESENTATIVE BROWN

1 AN ACT 2 To enact R.S. 33:381(C)(32), relative to the village of Goldonna and Natchitoches Parish; 3 to provide for the abolition of the office of police chief and the police department in 4 Goldonna; to provide limitations and requirements on such an abolition which 5 include a requirement for voter approval; to authorize the municipality to contract 6 with other law enforcement entities in the parish for law enforcement services; and 7 to provide for related matters. 8 Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published 9 as provided by Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of 10 Louisiana. 11 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 12 Section 1. R.S. 33:381(C)(32) is hereby enacted to read as follows: 13 §381. Municipal officers 14 C. 15 16 17 (32)(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the board 18 of aldermen of the village of Goldonna may, upon the recommendation of the mayor, adopt an ordinance calling for an election to abolish the office of chief of police. 19 20 The election shall be held in accordance with the Louisiana Election Code. If a 21 majority of the qualified electors voting at such election votes to abolish the office 22 of chief of police, the office shall be abolished upon the end of the term of the chief 23 of police in office at the time or when a vacancy occurs in the office, whichever 24 occurs first; however, if at the time the election occurs the office is filled by an 1 officer temporarily appointed, the abolition of the office shall become effective as 2 provided by ordinance. 3 (b) If the office of chief of police is abolished and the municipal police 4 department is abolished pursuant to R.S. 33:362(C), the mayor and board of 5 aldermen may contract with or enter into any cooperative endeavor with any law enforcement entity or officer within Natchitoches Parish for police services for the 6 7 village. 8 SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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