

Regular Session, 2014

SENATE BILL NO. 593

BY SENATOR CROWE

MUNICIPALITIES. Limits the number of terms of office of any elected official of certain municipalities. (gov sig)

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 33:383.3, relative to municipal governing authorities; to provide for limitation
3 of terms of elected officials; to provide for an election; to provide for an effective
4 date; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 33:383.3 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 **§383.3. Municipal governing authorities; limitation of terms of elected**
8 **officials; referendum**

9 **The governing authority of a municipality having a population between**
10 **two thousand five hundred and five thousand within a parish having a**
11 **population between two hundred thousand and two hundred fifty thousand,**
12 **based on the latest federal decennial census, may enact an ordinance limiting**
13 **the number of terms of office which any elected official of the municipality may**
14 **serve to two consecutive terms in the same office. Any ordinance herein**
15 **authorized shall become effective only after the question of such term limitation**
16 **has been submitted to and approved by a majority of the qualified electors of**
17 **the municipality who vote on the proposition at a regularly scheduled primary**

1 **or general election held in accordance with the Louisiana Election Code.**

2 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
3 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
4 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
5 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
6 effective on the day following such approval.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Michael Bell.

DIGEST

Crowe (SB 593)

Proposed law authorizes the governing authority of a municipality having a population between 2,500 and 5,000 within a parish having a population between 200,000 and 250,000 based on the latest federal decennial census to enact an ordinance limiting the number of terms of office any elected official of the municipality may serve to two consecutive terms in the same office.

Proposed law provides for the ordinance to become effective only after the question of such term limitation has been submitted to and approved by a majority of the qualified electors of the municipality who voted on the proposition at a regularly scheduled primary or general election held in accordance with the Louisiana Election Code.

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

(Adds R.S. 33:383.3)