

2015 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 8

BY REPRESENTATIVE MONTOUCET

POLICE/MUNICIPAL: Provides relative to the powers granted to the chief of police for the city of Crowley

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 33:423.9, relative to the Crowley police department; to authorize the police  
3 chief to appoint, discipline, and discharge police personnel; and to provide for related  
4 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. 33:423.9 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

10 §423.9. City of Crowley; authority over police personnel by chief of police  
11 Notwithstanding the provisions of R.S. 33:423 or any other provision of law  
12 to the contrary, in and for the city of Crowley, the chief of police shall appoint,  
13 discipline, and discharge police personnel subject to the budgetary limitations  
14 established by the mayor and board of alderman pertaining to the number of allotted  
15 positions for the police department.

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HB 8 Engrossed

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**Abstract:** Authorizes the Crowley police chief to appoint, discipline, and discharge police personnel.

Present law, applicable to most Lawrason Act municipalities, provides that the elected police chief makes recommendations to the mayor and board of aldermen regarding the

appointment, promotion, discipline, and dismissal of police personnel. Provides that the mayor and aldermen are responsible for taking these actions with regard to police personnel.

Proposed law, applicable to Crowley, provides that the police chief appoints, disciplines, and discharges police personnel subject to the budgetary limitations of the mayor and board of alderman pertaining to the number of allotted positions.

(Adds R.S. 33:423.9)