

## RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

**ACT 319 (SB 60)**

**2025 Regular Session**

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Existing law (R.S. 33:381) provides that the officers of every municipality governed by the provisions of the Lawrason Act (mayor-board of alderman form of government) shall be a mayor, aldermen, a chief of police, a tax collector, and a clerk.

Existing law (R.S. 33:362(C)) provides that any department of such a municipality, other than the police department in a municipality with an elected chief of police, shall be created, abolished, merged, or consolidated by the board of aldermen, upon the written recommendation of the mayor.

Existing law (R.S. 33:381) provides for at-large election of the mayor and police chief in all municipalities. Further provides for exceptions with respect to the chief of police in certain municipalities.

New law provides an exception for the office of police chief in the village of Hall Summit. Provides that the board of aldermen may, upon the recommendation of the mayor, abolish the office of police chief. Provides that the office cannot be abolished until the end of the term of the police chief in office at the time of that action or when a vacancy occurs in the office, whichever occurs first.

New law provides that if the office of police chief and the police department are abolished pursuant to new law and existing law, the mayor and board of aldermen shall be authorized to contract with or enter in to a cooperative endeavor agreement with any law enforcement entity or officer within Red River Parish for law enforcement services.

Effective August 1, 2025.

(Adds R.S. 33:381(C)(37))