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

DIGEST

Murray (SB 231)

<u>Present law</u> provides that when a vacancy occurs in the office of constable or marshal and the unexpired term of the office is one year or less, absent a chief deputy, the appropriate governing authority must within ten days, appoint a person having the qualifications of the office to assume the duties of the office for the remainder of the unexpired term.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> but changes the appointment delay <u>from</u> ten days <u>to</u> 20 days for purposes of consistency with the <u>present law</u> found in the Louisiana Election Code.

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

(Amends R.S. 13:2583(F))