DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides for the transfer of the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP) to the Military Department.

Present law (R.S. 29:725) establishes and provides for the purpose and functions of GOHSEP.

Proposed law retains present law.

<u>Present law</u> (R.S. 36:4(B)(3)) places GOHSEP within the office of the governor.

<u>Present law</u> (R.S. 36:4(B)(7)) also places the Military Dept. within the office of the governor, but excludes GOHSEP from the Military Dept.

<u>Proposed law repeals present law</u> (R.S. 36:4(B)(3)) and amends <u>present law</u> (R.S. 36:4(B)(7)) to place GOHSEP within the Military Dept.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the director of GOHSEP shall be appointed by the governor, subject to Senate confirmation.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the director of GOHSEP shall be employed by and report directly to the adjutant general who shall fix the salary of the director.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the director of GOHSEP may appoint assistant deputy directors as may be necessary to carry out the functions of the office.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the director of GOHSEP may employ, instead of appoint, deputies and assistants.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the office of interoperability shall be headed by an assistant deputy director of interoperability.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the office of interoperability shall be staffed as determined by the director.

(Amends R.S. 29:1(B), 722(A)(1), 724(B)(3), 725(A), (B), (C)(1), (E), (G)(1) and (K)(1) and (2) and 726(A) and R.S. 36:4(B)(7); Repeals R.S. 36:4(B)(3))