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The Honorable Phillip R. DeVillier Speaker of the House Louisiana House of Representatives State Capitol 900 N. 3rd St. Baton Rouge, LA 70804

House of Representatives Clerk's Office

The Honorable Michelle Fontenot Clerk of the House State Capitol 900 N. 3rd St. Baton Rouge, LA 70802

RE: House Bill 285 of the 2025 Regular Session by Representative Dennis Bamburg Jr.

Dear Speaker DeVillier and Clerk Fontenot:

Please be advised that I have vetoed House Bill No. 285 of the 2025 Regular Session, authored by Representative Dennis Bamburg Jr. Both House Bill No. 285 and Senate Bill 60 (Act No. 319 of the 2025 Regular Session) seek to amend R.S. 33:381(C)(37) and eliminate the chief of police position in the Village of Edgefield and the Village of Hall Summit, respectively.

However, a resolution in support of Senate Bill No. 60, presumably adopted in an open meeting and subject to public comment, was submitted by the Village of Hall Summit in support of SB 60. By contrast, no such resolution or any other evidence of formal local input was submitted by Representative Bamburg in connection with House Bill No. 285. In the absence of such submission or other compelling factors, I am not inclined to enact legislation affecting the governance of a municipality.

For this reason, House Bill 285 will not become law.

Sincerely,

Jeff Landry

Governor

Enclosure: Returned House Bill 285