

TITLE 6

LAW ENFORCEMENT

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CHAPTER 1

POLICE¹

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6-101. Department established; composition. There is hereby established a city police department to be composed of a chief of police and such number of subordinate officers and patrolmen as the city council may deem necessary. (1998 Code, § 6-101)

6-102. Powers and duties of department generally. It shall be the duty of the chief of police and of all police officers to preserve the public peace; to suppress all riots, disturbances, and breaches of the peace; and, with or without process, to apprehend and arrest all disorderly persons. The police department shall be responsible for enforcing all the provisions of this code as

¹Municipal code references

Authority to direct traffic: title 15.

Chief of police to investigate applicants for taxicabs franchise: § 9-605.

Commissioner of police and fire departments: § 6-201.

Duty of police to enforce traffic laws: title 15.

Impersonating an officer: § 11-502.

Refusal to assist officer: § 11-505.

Resisting or interfering with police officer: § 11-504.

Traffic division: title 15.

Ord. #00-008, Nov. 2000, established a mandatory retirement age of sixty-two (62) years for the police and firefighters of the City of Bolivar. Ord. #00-008 is of record in the office of the city administrator.

to which there is no other enforcement officer or agent specifically charged with enforcement.¹ (1998 Code, § 6-102)

6-103. Powers and duties of police chief generally. The chief of police shall be responsible for the general supervision and efficiency of all policemen and shall have such powers and duties as may be assigned by the mayor. (1998 Code, § 6-103, modified)

6-104. When police officers to make arrests. Unless otherwise authorized or directed in this code or other applicable law, an arrest of the person shall be made by a police officer in the following cases:

(1) Whenever he is in possession of a warrant for the arrest of the person.

(2) Whenever an offense is committed or a breach of the peace is threatened in the officer's presence by the person.

(3) Whenever a felony has in fact been committed and the officer has probable cause to believe the person has committed it.

6-105. Appointment, etc., terms of police personnel. All members of the police department, including the chief, shall be appointed, promoted, demoted, transferred, suspended or removed by and shall serve at the will of the mayor.² (1998 Code, § 6-105)

¹Charter reference

Service of process by city policemen: § 3.04.

²Charter reference

Appointment, suspension, removal of employees: § 3.07.

CHAPTER 2

**COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE OF POLICE AND
FIRE DEPARTMENTS¹****SECTION**

6-201. Office created; appointment; term.

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¹Municipal code reference

City council to exercise direct supervision over the council representative of the police and fire departments: § 1-102.

Fire prevention and protection: title 7.