
LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY ROLE

100.1 SECTION TITLE

See attachment: [City Charter - Establishment of Police Department- Chief - Officers.pdf](#)

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Section 54. Oath of office; elected officials; department heads; police officers; members of City boards, commissions, and committees. [Amended 11-23-1999 by Res. No. 197; 5-9-2000 by Res. No. 214; 2-8-2002 by Res. No. 236]

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