SECRETARY OF STATE. Provides for submission of redistricting plans to the secretary of state. (gov sig)

SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO THE SENATE BILL

1. Clarify that the deadline is applicable to technical corrections to a redistricting plan of a local governing body.

2. Change the deadline for submission of technical corrections from the date the qualifying period opens to 10 days prior to the date the qualifying period opens.

DIGEST OF THE SENATE BILL AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

Present law provides that no redistricting plan will be implemented unless it is received by the secretary of state in a specific format required by present law for local governing bodies no later than 4:30 p.m. four weeks prior to the date the qualifying period opens. Present law defines "local governing body" to include each parish governing authority, municipal governing authority, and school board.

Proposed law retains present law and permits the submission of technical corrections to a timely submitted and properly formatted redistricting plan of a local governing body until 10 days prior to date the qualifying period opens.

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

(Amends R.S. 18:1945(C))

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