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SB 144 Reengrossed DIGEST 2022 Regular Session Robert Mills

Present law provides that any voter may vote at an early voting site in a parish where the voter is registered to vote.

Present law provides that, under certain circumstances, a voter may request an absentee by mail ballot and vote prior to election day. Present law requires an absentee by mail ballot to be marked as provided in present law and returned to the registrar by commercial courier, by the United States Postal Service, or hand delivery.

Proposed law retains present law and requires a hand delivered absentee ballot to be returned by the voter or a person authorized by the voter to the registrar or an employee of the registrar at one of the following locations:

- (1) To the registrar's principal office or branch office.
- (2) To an early voting location during the time period set forth for early voting.

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

(Amends R.S. 18:1308(B))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs to the original bill

1. Makes technical corrections.

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Requires a hand delivered absentee ballot to be returned by the voter or a person authorized by the voter.