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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 90

BY REPRESENTATIVE STEFANSKI

ELECTIONS: Requests the State Board of Election Supervisors to study and make recommendations regarding specified election issues

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To urge and request the State Board of Election Supervisors to study and make 3 recommendations regarding extending the time period between the primary and 4 general election and to make recommendations regarding ways to accomplish the 5 election of congressmen in Louisiana on federal election day. 6 WHEREAS, the State Board of Election Supervisors is composed of the secretary 7 of state, the lieutenant governor, the attorney general, the commissioner of elections or 8 designee of the secretary of state, a member of the Clerks of Court Association, a member 9 of the Registrars of Voters Association, a member of the Police Jury Association of 10 Louisiana, and an appointee of the governor from a list of nominees; and 11 WHEREAS, the State Board of Election Supervisors is required by law to review 12 election laws and procedures and to annually report its findings, observations, and 13 recommendations concerning all aspects of elections in the state to the governmental affairs 14 committees of the legislature; and 15 WHEREAS, there has been increasing interest in extending the time period between 16 a primary and general election to allow for more time for the electorate to become more 17 knowledgeable about the issues and the candidates in the general election and to give 18 election officials more time to accomplish required procedures, including but not limited to 19 the forty-five day ballot transit time required by the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens 20 Absentee Voting Act as amended by the Military and Overseas Voter Empowerment Act; 21 and

1 WHEREAS, since the United States Supreme Court decision in Foster v. Love, 522 2 U.S. 67 (1997), several Louisiana congressmen have been elected after federal election day 3 affecting that member's attendance at orientation events, acquisition of office space, and 4 occasionally, desired committee assignments. 5 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby 6 urge and request the State Board of Election Supervisors to study and make recommendations regarding extending the time period between the primary and general 7 8 election and to make recommendations regarding ways to accomplish the election of 9 congressmen in Louisiana on federal election day. 10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the State Board of Election Supervisors shall 11 seek advice, input, and recommendations from all stakeholders, including but not limited to 12 the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure, leadership of the recognized 13 political parties in the state, and the congressional delegation. 14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the State Board of Election Supervisors shall 15 submit its recommendations to the House and Governmental Affairs Committee and the 16 Senate and Governmental Affairs Committee no later than January 31, 2023.

## **DIGEST**

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