

2023 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 304

BY REPRESENTATIVE ORGERON

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

ELECTIONS/CANDIDATES: Prohibits an elected official who has retired or resigned from office from filling the vacancy his retirement or resignation created

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 18:586, relative to vacancies in an elected office; to provide relative to the
3 retirement or resignation of an elected official; to provide relative to appointments
4 and elections to fill such a vacancy; to provide a prohibition; to provide for an
5 effective date; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 18:586 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §586. Vacancies caused by retirement or resignation; prohibitions

9 A. No elected official who has retired or resigned from state or local elective
10 office shall be appointed to succeed himself in the office from which he retired or
11 resigned.

12 B. No elected official who has retired or resigned from state or local elective
13 office shall be eligible as a candidate at an election called to fill the vacancy created
14 by the retirement or resignation of the elected official.

15 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
16 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
17 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
18 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
19 effective on the day following such approval.

DIGEST

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Proposed law prohibits an elected official who has resigned or retired from office from being appointed or elected to succeed himself in the office.

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

(Adds R.S. 18:586)