

address and relationship to the voter of the person providing assistance behind the tab for Assistance to Voters and attest whether the person other than a commissioner providing assistance was paid to do so.

Present law provides that the breach of any mandatory provision of present law relative to the conduct of elections is considered an election offense and is punishable by law.

Proposed law retains present law and further provides that facilitation of the distribution and collection of absentee by mail ballot applications for more than one person other than an immediate family member is also an election offense punishable by law.

Effective August 1, 2024.

(Amends R.S. 18:564(B)(5)(b), 1307(B)(1)(a)(i), 1309.3(B)(4)(b), and 1461.7(A)(6); adds R.S. 18:1307(J) and (K) and 1461.7(A)(7))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

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

1. Provide that a record must be made by the registrar or deputy registrar of voters indicating whether any person other than a commissioner was paid to assist a voter on election day and during early voting.
2. Provide that no person except a family member of the voter shall submit more than one marked ballot application to vote by mail by any means or send it for delivery to the registrar of voters by the U.S. Postal Service or commercial courier per election.