

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2024 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs to Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 218 by Senator Kleinpeter

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 10, after "(G)," delete the remainder of the line and at the beginning of line
3 11, delete "1461.7(A)(6)" and insert "and 1309.3(B)(4)(b)"

4 AMENDMENT NO. 2

5 On page 1, line 11, after "(K)" delete "and" and at the beginning of line 12, delete
6 "1461.7(A)(7)"

7 AMENDMENT NO. 3

8 On page, delete lines 1 through 10 and insert the following:

9 ~~"(b) The commissioners shall write the voter's name in the precinct register~~
10 ~~and write~~ **The voter, along with the person assisting the voter, shall complete a**
11 **voter assistance form and provide** the name, address, and relationship to the
12 **voter** of the person, including a commissioner, assisting the voter behind the tab for
13 ~~Assistance to Voters~~ **and attest whether the person, other than a commissioner,**
14 **assisting the voter was paid to provide assistance.** If the voter is not marked for
15 assistance in voting in the precinct register, the voter ~~or the person, including a~~
16 ~~commissioner, assisting the voter shall check the box behind the tab for Assistance~~
17 ~~to Voters indicating~~ **shall attest on the voter assistance form** that the voter has a
18 physical disability or is unable to read **and requires assistance in voting.** ~~The~~
19 ~~person, including a commissioner, assisting the voter shall sign his name behind the~~
20 ~~tab for Assistance to Voters."~~

21 AMENDMENT NO. 4

22 On page 2, delete lines 21 through 29 and on page 3 delete lines 1 through 3 and insert the
23 following:

24 ~~"G.(1)(a) If the applicant is eligible to vote absentee by mail pursuant to R.S.~~
25 ~~18:1303(F), (I), or (J), his application, if such application meets the requirements of~~
26 ~~this Section, may remain valid indefinitely upon request of the applicant, unless an.~~

27 **(b) If the applicant is eligible to vote absentee by mail pursuant to R.S.**
28 **18:1303(F) or (J), his application, if such application meets the requirements of**
29 **this Section, may remain valid from the date the application is received in the**
30 **office of the registrar of voters until December thirty-first of the fourth year**
31 **after the application is received by the registrar. If the applicant's application**
32 **was received by the office of the registrar of voters before January 1, 2025, his**
33 **application shall expire December 31, 2029.**

34 **(2) If an** absentee by mail ballot that has been sent to the applicant is
35 returned to the registrar as undeliverable, **the applicant's application shall no**
36 **longer be valid, and** ~~If the applicant's absentee by mail ballot is returned to the~~
37 ~~registrar as undeliverable,~~ the registrar shall send notice by forwardable mail to such
38 applicant that his application will no longer be valid, ~~and the.~~ **The** applicant shall
39 be required to submit a new application to the registrar that meets the requirements
40 of this Section and provide a current address before the applicant will be eligible to
41 vote absentee by mail again pursuant to this Section."

1 AMENDMENT NO. 5

2 On page 3, delete lines 24 through 29 and on page 4, delete line 1 and insert the following:

3 "~~(b) The registrar or deputy registrar shall write the voter's name in the~~
4 ~~precinct register or early voting list kept by the registrar and~~ **The voter, along with**
5 ~~the person assisting the voter, shall complete a voter assistance form and~~
6 ~~provide~~ **the name of the person assisting the voter behind the tab for Assistance to**
7 ~~Voters and attest whether the person, other than a commissioner, providing~~
8 ~~assistance was paid to assist the voter. If the voter is not marked for assistance~~
9 ~~in voting in the statewide voter registration database, the voter shall attest on~~
10 ~~the voter assistance form that the voter has a physical disability or is unable to~~
11 ~~read and requires assistance in voting.~~ **The person assisting the voter, including**
12 ~~a registrar or deputy registrar, shall sign his name behind the tab for Assistance to~~
13 ~~Voters."~~

14 AMENDMENT NO. 6

15 On page 4, between lines 2 and 3 insert the following:

16 "Section 2. R.S. 18:1461.7(A)(6) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S.
17 18:1461.7(A)(7) is hereby enacted to read as follows:"

18 AMENDMENT NO. 7

19 On page 4, delete line 7 and insert the following:

20 "**applications or absentee by mail ballots in violation of this Title.**"

21 AMENDMENT NO. 8

22 On page 4, after line 9 insert the following:

23 "Section 3.(A) Section 1 of this Act shall become effective January 1, 2025.
24 (B) Section 2 and this Section of this Act shall become effective upon
25 signature of this Act by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon
26 expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as
27 provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If this Act is
28 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, Section 2 and
29 this Section of this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval."