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**SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

2024 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs to  
Engrossed House Bill No. 581 by Representative Thomas

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1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 2, after "To" and before "enact" insert "amend and reenact R.S. 18:1315(B)  
3 and to"

4 AMENDMENT NO. 2

5 On page 1, line 3, after "information;" and before "to" insert "to provide for the grounds to  
6 challenge an absentee by mail ballot;"

7 AMENDMENT NO. 3

8 On page 1, line 7, after "Section 1." and before "R.S. 18:4" insert "R.S. 18:1315(B) is hereby  
9 amended and reenacted and"

10 AMENDMENT NO. 4

11 On page 1, between lines 15 and 16, insert:

12 " §1315. Challenge of absentee by mail or early voting ballot

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14 B. During the preparation and verification process for the counting of  
15 absentee by mail and early voting ballots before the election, as applicable, or the  
16 counting of absentee by mail and early voting ballots on election day, any candidate  
17 or his representative, member of the board, or qualified elector may challenge an  
18 absentee by mail or early voting ballot for cause, other than those grounds specified  
19 in R.S. 18:565(A). Failure to include a witness' mailing address on an absentee ballot  
20 certificate shall not be grounds to challenge an absentee by mail ballot.

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