

**ACT No. 40**

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 10

BY REPRESENTATIVE CHANCE HENRY

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 1:55(E)(1)(j), relative to legal holidays; to establish the Friday of the  
3 International Rice Festival as a legal holiday in the parish of Acadia; to authorize the  
4 clerk of court in the parish of Acadia to close the office in observance of the legal  
5 holiday; to provide for exceptions; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 1:55(E)(1)(j) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §55. Days of public rest, legal holidays, and half-holidays

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10 E.(1)

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12 (j) In addition, in the parish of Acadia, the Friday of the International Rice  
13 Festival shall be a legal holiday for the purpose of authorizing the clerk of court in  
14 the parish of Acadia to close offices in observance of that day, unless there are  
15 functions and duties related to an election that require the office to remain open.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_