

First Extraordinary Session, 2005

SENATE BILL NO. 6

BY SENATOR JONES

VOTERS/VOTING. Authorizes a person who has registered by mail and has not previously voted in the parish in which he is registered to vote absentee by mail during a gubernatorially declared state of emergency.

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 18:115(F)(2)(d), relative to the registration of voters; to provide for the  
3 authority of a voter who has registered by mail who has not previously voted in the  
4 parish in which he is registered during certain emergencies; and to provide for  
5 related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 18:115(F)(2)(d) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §115. Registration by mail

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10 F. \* \* \*

11 (2) The provisions of Paragraph (1) of this Subsection shall not apply in the  
12 case of the following:

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14 **(d) A person who has registered by mail and has not previously voted in**  
15 **the parish in which he is registered voting during a state of emergency declared**  
16 **by the governor.**

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Tabitha I. Gray.

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DIGEST

Present law provides that any registered voter who has registered by mail and has not previously voted in the parish in which he is registered shall vote: (a) during early voting in the office of the registrar of voters, or (b) in person at the precinct in which he is registered to vote. Present law specifies exceptions.

Proposed law adds to such exceptions such a voter seeking to vote during a gubernatorially declared state of emergency or disaster.

(Adds R.S. 18:115(F)(2)(d))