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## DIGEST

Proposed law authorizes the secretary of state, upon a gubernatorial declaration of emergency and a determination that the emergency will impair a scheduled election, to certify to the governor and the Senate and House governmental affairs committees the need for an election plan for registration, early voting, absentee voting by mail and election day voting. Requires the secretary of state to submit a written plan as soon as practicable after the concurrence of the governor and the majority of the members of each committee with his certification. After approval by the governor and the majority of the members of each committee of the emergency plan, requires the secretary of state to take all necessary steps to implement the plan following compliance with the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 18:401.3)