

Prior law, relative to parochial and municipal elections in a parish containing a municipality with a population of 300,000 or more, required elections for parochial and municipal offices to be held every four years, beginning in 2006, as follows:

- (1) Primary elections for parochial and municipal officers are held on the first Sat. in Feb. of an election year.
- (2) General elections for parochial and municipal officers are held on the fourth Sat. after the first Sat. in Feb. of an election year.

Prior law provided that special primary and general elections and bond, tax, or other elections at which a proposition or question is to be submitted to the voters may be held on these dates.

Prior law provided that the qualifying period for candidates in a primary election begins on the second Wed. in Dec. of an election year.

New law changes the dates of parochial and municipal elections in a parish containing a municipality with a population of 300,000 or more as follows:

- (1) Primary elections for parochial and municipal officers are held on the third Sat. in Oct. of an election year instead of the first Sat. in Feb.
- (2) General elections for parochial and municipal officers are held on the fourth Sat. after the third Sat. in Oct. of an election year instead of the fourth Sat. after the first Sat. in Feb. of an election year.

New law provides that special primary and general elections and bond, tax, or other elections at which a proposition or question is to be submitted to the voters may be held on these dates.

New law provides that the qualifying period for candidates in a primary election begins on the second Wed. in Aug. of an election year instead of the second Wed. in Dec.

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(Amends R.S. 18:402(D), (E)(1)(e) and (2)(e), and (F)(6) and 467(4))