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Abstract: Provides for a special statewide election to be held on Sat., Oct. 14, 2017, for the purpose of submitting proposed constitutional amendments to the electors of the state.

Present constitution (Const. Art. XIII, §1(A)(1)) requires that each joint resolution proposing a constitutional amendment specify the statewide election at which the proposed constitutional amendment shall be submitted to the state's electors for ratification. Provides that special elections for submitting proposed constitutional amendments may be authorized by law.

Proposed law provides that a special statewide election shall be held on Sat., Oct. 14, 2017, for the purpose of submitting to the state's electors proposed constitutional amendments contained in joint resolutions concurred in during the 2017 R.S. Provides that proposed law shall be void and of no effect if no proposed constitutional amendment that specifies the special statewide election on Oct. 14, 2017, as the statewide election at which the proposed constitutional amendment shall be submitted to the electors is concurred in.

Proposed law provides that the election shall be held in compliance with applicable provisions of the La. Election Code.

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