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HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

2017 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Representative Cox to Engrossed House Bill No. 71 by Representative Carmody

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

- 2 On page 1, line 5, between "exceptions;" and "and to" insert "to provide relative to the
- 3 authority of parish governing authorities to adopt ordinances relative to voter registration;"

4 AMENDMENT NO. 2

5 On page 2, between lines 12 and 13, insert the following

"D.(1) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, a parish governing authority may adopt an ordinance that provides for the automatic registration of voters as further provided in Paragraph (2) of this Subsection if the ordinance is approved by a majority of the voters who vote on a proposition approving the ordinance at an election held for that purpose. A parish or municipal governing authority may call an election for the purpose of submitting such a proposition to the voters and adopt rules or regulations to provide for implementation of such an ordinance.

(2)(a) For residents of any such parish, the deputy secretary for public safety services of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections shall compile and transmit to the secretary of state, at least every five days, information in electronic format concerning residents of the parish over the age of sixteen who have been issued a driver's license or identification card by the Department of Public Safety and Corrections or have renewed or changed the name or address on such a driver's license or identification card and who did not decline voter registration when making application for the issuance, renewal, or change. The deputy secretary shall include the information, for each person, that is necessary to register the person to vote, including the electronic signature of the person.

- (b)(i) The secretary of state shall provide voter registration information relative to a person that is received pursuant to Subparagrah (a) of this Paragraph to the registrar of voters for the parish in which the person may be registered to vote.
- (ii) The secretary of state shall notify each person about whom voter registration information is received pursuant to Subparagrah (a) of this Paragraph how the person can indicate or change party affiliation or decline voter registration or decline to update an existing registration.
- (c) If a person who is notified pursuant to Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph does not decline voter registration or decline to update an existing registration within twenty-one calendar days after the secretary of state issued the notification, the voter registration information received pursuant to Subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph for the person shall constitute a voter registration application for purposes of the Louisiana Election Code or an update to an existing registration if the person is already registered to vote."