2018 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 54

BY REPRESENTATIVE HOLLIS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:1300.2(B) and to enact R.S. 18:1300.6, relative to recall elections; to provide for the number of signatures required to call a recall election; to provide for the content of a recall petition; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 18:1300.2(B) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 18:1300.6 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§1300.2. Petition for recall election; campaign finance disclosure

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B.(1) All signatures on recall petitions shall be handwritten. This

(2) The petition shall be signed by a number of the electors of the voting area as will in number equal not less than thirty-three and one-third percent of the total number of the total electors of the voting area wherein and for which a recall election is petitioned; however, where fewer than one thousand qualified electors reside within the voting area, the petition shall be signed by not less than forty percent of said electors as provided in Paragraph (3) of this Subsection.

(3)(a) If fewer than one thousand qualified electors reside within the voting area, the petition shall be signed by at least forty percent of the electors.

(b) If one thousand or more but fewer than twenty-five thousand qualified electors reside within the voting area, the petition shall be signed by at least thirty-three and one-third percent of the electors.

(c) If twenty-five thousand or more but fewer than one hundred thousand qualified electors reside within the voting area, the petition shall be signed by at least twenty-five percent of the electors.

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(d) If one hundred thousand or more qualified electors reside within the voting area, the petition shall be signed by at least twenty percent of the electors.

§ 1300.6. Reason for recall stated in petition

The petition shall contain a clear statement of the reason or reasons for the recall.

Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: ____________________________

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