The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Dawn Romero Watson.

DIGEST

SB 130 Original 2020 Regular Session Henry

Present constitution provides for gambling to be defined by and suppressed by the legislature.

Present constitution provides that no law authorizing a new form of gaming, gambling, or wagering will be effective nor will such gaming, gambling, or wagering be licensed or permitted to be conducted in a parish unless a referendum election on a proposition to allow such gaming, gambling, or wagering is held in the parish and the proposition is approved by a majority of those voting thereon.

Present constitution provides that notwithstanding the present constitutional provisions regarding prohibited local and special laws, or any other provision of the constitution, the legislature by local or special law may provide for elections on propositions relating to allowing or prohibiting one or more forms of gaming, gambling, or wagering authorized by law.

Proposed law provides for a proposition election to determine whether sports wagering activities and operations will be permitted in a particular parish. Provides that the proposition will be on the ballot at the statewide election occurring on November 3, 2020.

Proposed law provides that if a majority of the qualified electors in the parish voting on the proposition vote "for" the proposition, then sports wagering activities and operations will be permitted in such parish only after state laws providing for the licensing, regulation, and taxation of such activities and operations are enacted and become effective.

Proposed law provides that if a majority of the qualified electors in the parish voting on the proposition vote "against" the proposition, then sports wagering activities and operations will not be permitted in the parish.

Designates proposed law to be a special law for purposes of constitutional requirement regarding proposition elections on gambling, gaming, or wagering.

Effective June 10, 2020.

(Adds R.S. 18:1300.24)