

2020 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 167

BY REPRESENTATIVE EMERSON

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 18:1253.1 and to repeal R.S. 18:1253.1, relative to the selection of presidential
3 electors; to provide relative to deadlines for certification of electors and nominations
4 for the offices of president and vice president; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 18:1253.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §1253.1. Nominating by political parties; certificates of nomination; certification of
8 nominees for the offices of president and vice president in 2020

9 Notwithstanding the provisions of R.S. 18:1253(E), if the nominees for the
10 offices of president and vice president nominated by a national convention of a
11 recognized political party, together with a slate of candidates for the offices of
12 presidential electors to support such nominees, are not properly certified to the
13 secretary of state by the state central committee of that party prior to 4:30 p.m. on
14 the fourth Friday in August of 2020, the national chairman of the political party, after
15 notifying the chairman of the state central committee of that political party, shall
16 certify a slate of electors to support such nominees by 4:30 p.m. on the first Monday
17 following the fourth Friday in August. Such certificate filed with the secretary of
18 state shall be accompanied by the notarized affidavit of each candidate for elector
19 signifying that the certificate constitutes his acceptance of the nomination.

20 Section 2. R.S. 18:1253.1 is hereby repealed in its entirety.

21 Section 3(A). Section 1 and this Section of this Act shall become effective upon
22 signature of this Act by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of

1 the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article
2 III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If this Act is vetoed by the governor and
3 subsequently approved by the legislature, Section 1 and this Section of this Act shall become
4 effective on the day following such approval.

5 (B) Section 2 of this Act shall become effective on July 1, 2021.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____