The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Carla S. Roberts.

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<u>Present law</u> provides that any voter may vote at an early voting site in a parish where the voter is registered to vote.

<u>Present law</u> provides that, under certain circumstances, a voter may request an absentee by mail ballot and vote prior to election day. <u>Present law</u> requires an absentee by mail ballot to be marked as provided in <u>present law</u> and returned to the registrar by commercial courier, by the United States Postal Service, or hand delivery.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and requires a hand delivered absentee ballot to be returned to the registrar or an employee of the registrar at one of the following locations:

- (1) To the registrar's principal office or branch office.
- (2) To an early voting location during the time period set forth for early voting.

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

(Amend R.S. 18:1308(B))

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