

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 423

BY REPRESENTATIVE MINCEY

VOTING/REGISTRATION: Requires public school governing authorities to provide high school seniors the opportunity to register to vote

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 17:2119 and 3996(B)(67), relative to voter registration; to require public  
3 school governing authorities to provide an opportunity for high school seniors to  
4 register to vote; to provide relative to methods for such registration; to prohibit the  
5 involvement of certain organizations; to provide for rules and regulations; and to  
6 provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 17:2119 and 3996(B)(67) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §2119. Voter registration; high schools

10 A. Each public school governing authority shall provide an opportunity for  
11 each high school senior to register to vote by using a school computer to fill out an  
12 electronic voter registration application or by using the state mail voter registration  
13 application form.

14 B. No public school governing authority shall allow the involvement of any  
15 political or partisan group or organization in the registration process.

16 C. Each public school governing authority shall adopt rules and regulations  
17 for the implementation of this Section and shall review the rules and regulations, at  
18 minimum, every five years for the purpose of considering any needed revisions or  
19 updates.

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1 §3996. Charter schools; exemptions; requirements

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3 B. Notwithstanding any state law, rule, or regulation to the contrary and  
4 except as may be otherwise specifically provided for in an approved charter, a  
5 charter school established and operated in accordance with the provisions of this  
6 Chapter and its approved charter and the school's officers and employees shall be  
7 exempt from all statutory mandates or other statutory requirements that are  
8 applicable to public schools and to public school officers and employees except for  
9 the following laws otherwise applicable to public schools with the same grades:

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11 (67) Voter registration, R.S. 17:2119.

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DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Provides for high school seniors to have the opportunity to participate in voter registration at school.

Proposed law:

- (1) Requires public school governing authorities to provide high school seniors with the opportunity to register to vote by using a school computer to fill out an electronic voter registration application or by using the state mail voter registration application form.
- (2) Prohibits the involvement of any political or partisan group or organization in the registration process.
- (3) Requires each public school governing authority to adopt rules for the implementation of proposed law and review them at least every five years.

Proposed law is applicable to all public schools, including charter schools.

(Adds R.S. 17:2119 and 3996(B)(67))