The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Matt DeVille.

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Present law provides for recall elections. Provides for the filing of recall petitions with the secretary of state. Requires the secretary of state to notify the registrar of voters in each parish in the voting area where the recall election would be held. Provides for submission of the signed and dated recall petition to the registrar of voters and notification of the public officer who is the subject of the recall petition. Requires the registrar to certify the signed petition.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that a recall petition, including the name, address, and signature of each elector who has signed the petition, becomes a public record upon the signature of the first elector.

Proposed law provides that the recall petition and the name, address, and signature of each elector who has signed the petition becomes a public record upon certification by the registrar of voters. Provides that the unsigned petition becomes a public record when it is filed with the secretary of state.

Present law allows any voter to make a written request to have his signature stricken from or added to a recall petition at any time after the registrar of voters receives the signed petition, but prior to certification of the petition or within five days after receipt of the signed petition, whichever is earlier. Provides that a written request to strike or add a name is a public record.

Proposed law retains present law allowing a voter to request to strike or add his name but makes only a request to add a name to public record.

Effective August 1, 2023.

(Amends R.S. 18:1300.2(C)(1), 1300.3(A) and (B), and 1300.5)