
DIGEST

The digest printed below was prepared by House Legislative Services. It constitutes no part of the legislative instrument. The keyword, one-liner, abstract, and digest do not constitute part of the law or proof or indicia of legislative intent. [R.S. 1:13(B) and 24:177(E)]

HB 261 Original

2024 Regular Session

Willard

Abstract: Authorizes otherwise lawful activities within the 600-foot campaign-free zone around polling places.

Present law prohibits various campaigning activities in a polling place or within 600 feet of a polling place on election day or during early voting.

Present law provides that it is unlawful for any person to remain within any polling place or within a radius of 600 feet of the entrance of any polling place after having been directed by an election commissioner, law enforcement officer, registrar, or deputy registrar to leave the premises or area of a polling place, except when exercising the right to vote.

Proposed law retains present law and further provides an exception for any person engaging in other lawful activities.

Proposed law provides that no person or entity shall be prohibited from engaging in activities within the campaign-free zone that are not otherwise prohibited by law.

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

(Amends R.S. 18:1462(A)(2) and (C))