

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 483

BY REPRESENTATIVE THOMAS

ELECTIONS/COMMISSIONERS: Provides relative to qualifications of early voting election commissioners

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 18:1309(K)(2)(e), relative to qualifications of early voting election
3 commissioners; to prohibit registered sex offenders and child predators from serving
4 as early voting election commissioners; to provide an effective date; and to provide
5 for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 18:1309(K)(2)(e) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §1309. Early voting; verification

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12 (2) A person to whom one or more of the following applies shall not serve
13 as an early voting commissioner:

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15 (e) The person is required to register as a sex offender or child predator
16 pursuant to R.S. 15:542.

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18 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
19 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
20 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If

1 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
2 effective on the day following such approval.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Prohibits a person who is required to register as a sex offender or child predator from serving as an early voting commissioner.

Present law authorizes a registrar of voters, upon approval of the secretary of state, to utilize commissioners selected and trained by the registrar of voters to assist the registrar during the early voting period in the conduct of early voting by his office and provides for the qualifications for early voting commissioners.

Present law prohibits a person who is required to register as a sex offender or child predator from serving as a commissioner-in-charge, commissioner, alternate commissioner, or watcher.

Proposed law also prohibits a person who is required to register as a sex offender or child predator from serving as an early voting commissioner.

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

(Adds R.S. 18:1309(K)(2)(e))