

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 506

BY REPRESENTATIVE THOMAS

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 18:18(A)(9) and 1461.7(A)(1) and to enact R.S. 18:2(16) and
3 (17), 119, and 1461.2(A)(10), relative to voter registration drives; to require
4 registration of persons conducting voter registration drives; to require
5 acknowledgment of the laws relative to voter registration; to provide for the duties
6 of the secretary of state relative thereto; to provide for definitions; to provide for a
7 criminal offense related to filling out a voter registration form; to provide relative to
8 the criminal offense of failing to timely submit a completed voter registration form
9 to a registrar of voters; and to provide for related matters.

10 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

11 Section 1. R.S. 18:18(A)(9) and 1461.7(A)(1) are hereby amended and reenacted and
12 R.S. 18:2(16) and (17), 119, and 1461.2(A)(10) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

13 §2. Definitions

14 As used in this Code, the following words and terms shall have the meanings
15 hereinafter ascribed to each, unless the context clearly indicates another meaning:

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17 (16) "Third-party voter registration drive" means the solicitation,
18 distribution, or collection of voter registration applications by a third-party voter
19 registration organization.

20 (17) "Third-party voter registration organization" means any individual or
21 entity that solicits, distributes, or collects voter registration applications and that is
22 not required by law to do so. "Third-party voter registration organization" shall not
23 include the following:

1 §1461.2. Election offenses affecting registration and election fraud or forgery;
2 penalties

3 A. No person shall knowingly, willfully, or intentionally:

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5 (10) Fill out information on another persons's voter registration application,
6 except when providing assistance to an applicant in the manner authorized by this
7 Title.

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9 §1461.7. Miscellaneous election offenses; penalties

10 A. No person shall knowingly, willfully, or intentionally:

11 (1) Fail to submit to the parish registrar of voters a completed registration
12 application collected through a third-party voter registration drive within thirty days
13 of receipt of the completed application from the applicant or no later than the date
14 provided in R.S. 18:135(A)(1), whichever occurs first.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____