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# ENGROSSED

2025 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 4

BY SENATOR LAMBERT

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

ELECTION OFFENSES. Authorizes political campaign signs to be posted on public school athletic fields and gymnasiums when a political candidate or campaign pays for the posting. (8/1/25)

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 18:1470, relative to campaign advertising; to prohibit certain
3	kinds of political advertising on public property; to authorize campaign signs on
4	school athletic facilities and gymnasiums if paid for by the political candidate or
5	campaign; and to provide for related matters.
6	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
7	Section 1. R.S. 18:1470 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:
8	§1470. Political advertising; prohibition; exception
9	A. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, Except as
10	provided in Subsection B of this Section, no political campaign signs shall not be
11	erected, displayed, or posted on any publicly owned property or right of way, or to
12	or on any public utility pole or stanchion.
13	B. Subject to school board policy, political campaign signs may be
14	erected, displayed, or posted in or on the premises of any public school athletic
15	field or public school gymnasium if the erection, display, or posting is paid for
16	by a political candidate or political campaign.
17	C. The provisions of this Section shall not create an exception to R.S.

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## 18:1462, relative to prohibited acts during early voting or on election day.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Senate Legislative Services. The keyword, summary, 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)]

#### DIGEST

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<u>Present law</u> prohibits erection, display, or posting of political campaign signs on any publicly owned property or right of way, or to or on any public utility pole or stanchion.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains this prohibition but makes an exception subject to school board policy to allow political campaign signs erected, displayed, or posted on the premises of any public school athletic field or public school gymnasium if paid for by the political candidate or political campaign.

Present law prohibits certain acts during early voting of or on election day.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that <u>present law</u> is not to be construed as an exception to this prohibition.

Effective August 1, 2025.

(Amends R.S. 18:1470)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

## <u>Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Senate and</u> <u>Governmental Affairs to the original bill</u>

- 1. Adds provisions subject to school board policy
- 2. Adds provisions that proposed law is not an exception to prohibitions involving early voting or election day.