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AN ACT

To amend and reenact the introductory paragraph of R.S. 18:531.1(A) and 531.1(A)(2) and to enact R.S. 18:531.1(A)(3), relative to polling places; to provide that a polling place for a precinct is not required to be opened under certain circumstances; to provide relative to the powers, duties, and authority of registrars of voters relative to polling places; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. The introductory paragraph of R.S. 18:531.1(A) and 531.1(A)(2) are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 18:531.1(A)(3) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§531.1. ~~Exception~~ **Exceptions** to opening polls; alternative voting locations

A. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the polling place for a particular precinct shall not be required to be opened in ~~either~~ of the following circumstances:

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(2) When it is determined by the registrar of voters that there are fewer than twenty voters eligible to vote in the voting district in the precinct, for any office or proposition on the ballot, and the location of the precinct's polling place serves as the polling place of another precinct where the remaining eligible voters may vote pursuant to Subsection C of this Section.

(3) When it is determined by the registrar of voters after the close of early

1 voting, that all voters eligible to vote in the precinct have voted absentee by mail or
2 during early voting.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____