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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 121

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HOUSE/RULES: Provides that the voting machines shall be closed after a specific time period

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To amend and readopt House Rule 10.4 of the Rules of Order of the House of
3 Representatives to provide that the voting machines shall be closed after a specific
4 time period.

5 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana
6 that House Rule 10.4 of the Rules of Order of the House of Representatives is hereby
7 amended and readopted to read as follows:

8 Rule 10.4. Putting the question; time for voting

9 A. Questions shall be distinctly put in this form: "As many of you as are in
10 favor (here the question is stated) shall vote 'Yes'; those opposed shall vote 'No.' The
11 Clerk shall open the machine."

12 B. After the voting machine has been open for ten seconds, the Clerk shall
13 close the machine.

14 C. After the roll call is recorded, the presiding officer shall then rise and state
15 the decision of the House.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides that the Clerk shall close the voting machine after 10 seconds.

Present House Rule provides that questions shall be distinctly put in this form: "As many of you as are in favor (here the question is stated) shall vote 'Yes'; those opposed shall vote 'No.' The Clerk shall open the machine." Present House Rule further provides that after the roll call is recorded, the presiding officer shall then rise and state the decision of the House.

Proposed House Rule retains present House Rule and additionally provides that after the voting machine has been open for 10 seconds, the Clerk shall close the machine.

(Amends House Rule 10.4)