Regular Session, 2013

HOUSE BILL NO. 191

BY REPRESENTATIVE STUART BISHOP

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

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 18:1308(A)(2)(j), relative to voting; to provide relative to the
3	duties and authority of the secretary of state relative to absentee voting by certain
4	persons; and to provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 18:1308(A)(2)(j) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as
7	follows:
8	§1308. Absentee voting by mail
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11	(2)
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13	(j)(i) The secretary of state as the chief election officer of the state shall take
14	all actions reasonably necessary to allow members of the United States Service and
15	persons residing outside the United States to vote according to the Uniformed and
16	Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act or otherwise during a period of declared
17	emergency, whether by mail, facsimile, or other means of transmission of the ballot,
18	notwithstanding any provision of this Code to the contrary.
19	(ii) The secretary of state as the chief election officer of the state shall take
20	all actions reasonably necessary to allow registered voters who are unable to vote
21	during early voting or at the polling place on election day due to out-of-state work

1 responsibilities relating to a declared emergency to vote, whether by mail, facsimile, 2 or other means of transmission of the ballot. 3 4 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not 5 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If 6 7 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become 8 effective on the day following such approval. SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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