
HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs to Original House Bill No. 296 by Representative Connick

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 2, after "R.S." delete the remainder of the line and insert "18:1313(J)(2)(a),
3 (b), and (d),"

4 AMENDMENT NO. 2

5 On page 1, line 4, after "to provide for" change "an automatic recount" to "a recount in
6 proposition elections"

7 AMENDMENT NO. 3

8 On page 1, line 6, after "to such recount;" and before "and" insert "to provide relative to the
9 payment of costs;"

10 AMENDMENT NO. 4

11 On page 1, at the beginning of line 14, change "(2)(a)" to "(2)(a)i"

12 AMENDMENT NO. 5

13 On page 1, delete lines 16 and 17 and insert the following:

14 "an office could make a difference in the outcome of the election for such office,
15 upon the written request of a candidate for such office,"

16 AMENDMENT NO. 6

17 On page 1, after line 20, insert the following:

18 "(ii) Notwithstanding the provisions of Paragraph (1) of this Subsection, if
19 the number of absentee by mail and early voting ballots cast for and against a
20 proposition could make a difference in the outcome of the election, upon the written
21 request of a person who voted in the proposition election, the board shall recount the
22 absentee by mail ballots by hand or scanning equipment and early voting ballots
23 electronically, unless paper ballots were used for early voting and in such case, the
24 ballots shall be recounted by hand for such election."

25 AMENDMENT NO. 7

26 On page 2, delete line 9 and insert the following:

27 "Any written request for recount of absentee by mail and early voting ballots shall
28 be filed with the clerk of court. The deadline for filing a request for recount of
29 absentee by mail and early voting ballots shall be the last working day prior to the
30 date of the recount. Immediately upon receiving any request, the clerk of court
31 shall"

32 AMENDMENT NO. 8

33 On page 2, delete lines 12 through 14 and insert the following:

1 "and the name of the candidate or the voter in the proposition election requesting the
2 recount.

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4 (d)(i) The candidate or the voter in the proposition election requesting the
5 recount shall be responsible for all reasonable costs associated with such recount
6 which shall be payable to the clerk of court. The costs shall be paid at the time the
7 written request for the recount is filed with the clerk of court and shall be paid in
8 cash or by certified or cashier's check on a state or national bank or credit union,
9 United States postal money order, or money order issued by a state or national bank
10 or credit union.

11 (ii) If the recount changes the outcome of the election, the costs paid by the
12 candidate or voter in the proposition election shall be refunded by the clerk of court.

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