

SENATE BILL NO. 208

BY SENATOR WARD

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:1300.13, relative to recall elections; to prohibit recalled public officers from running in special elections to fill the vacated position; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 18:1300.13 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§1300.13. Declaration of vacancy; **prohibitions**

A. When the majority is in favor of the recall, the public officer is, ipso facto, recalled and removed from office, and the office shall be vacated upon expiration of the time period for contesting the recall election set forth in R.S. 18:1405(H) if an action contesting the recall election is not commenced timely or when the final judgment becomes definitive if an action contesting the recall election is commenced timely, and the office shall be filled as in the case of ordinary vacancies and according to the constitution and laws of the state.

B.(1) A public officer who has been recalled and removed from office shall not be appointed to succeed himself in the office from which he was recalled and removed.

(2) A public officer who has been recalled and removed from office shall be ineligible as a candidate at an election called to fill the vacancy created by the recall of such public officer.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____