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Abstract: Provides for the conduct of early voting on the Sun. during the early voting period from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Present law (R.S. 18:1302(4)) defines "early voting" as the period of time from 14 days to seven days prior to any scheduled election when a person who is qualified to vote may vote in person at a place designated by the registrar as provided in present law (R.S. 18:1309).

Present law (R.S. 18:1309) provides that during the early voting period, the registrar shall maintain regular office hours, remaining open from 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Mon. through Sat. Provides that early voting on each day of the early voting period terminates when all persons who were in line to vote at the close of the office hours of the registrar's office have been allowed to vote. Provides for alternate locations under certain circumstances. Requires the registrar to observe the holidays which are provided by law or proclaimed by the governor for state departments during any period for conducting early voting.

Proposed law retains present law.

Proposed law additionally provides that the registrar shall remain open from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Sun. during the early voting period.

(Amends R.S. 18:1309(A)(2))