

SENATE BILL NO. 270

BY SENATOR CARTER

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AN ACT

To enact R.S. 18:501(C), relative to the Louisiana Election Code; to provide with respect to the withdrawal and election of candidates; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 18:501(C) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§501. Procedure for withdrawal

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**C. Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsections A and B of this Section, if there are only two candidates remaining in a primary or general election for a public office, the secretary of state shall accept a notice of withdrawal that is filed prior to 4:30 p.m. on the second day prior to the election. The candidate remaining after the withdrawal is declared elected by the people.**

Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not 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 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_