

Regular Session, 2009

HOUSE BILL NO. 194

BY REPRESENTATIVE DIXON

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

VOTING/REGISTRATION: Provides relative to the close of registration records in a parish in which the registrar is unable to open at least one office on the final day for registration

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 18:135(A), relative to registration of voters; to provide relative
3 to the close of registration records; to provide relative to application for registration
4 and changes in a registration; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 18:135(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §135. Close of registration

8 A.(1) Registrars shall close the registration records thirty days prior to an
9 election. However, if the deadline falls on a legal holiday, the registrars shall close
10 the registration records on the first day after such holiday which is not a Saturday,
11 Sunday, or other legal holiday.

12 (2)(a) Notwithstanding the provisions of Paragraph (1) of this Subsection,
13 if because of an emergency the registrar is unable to open at least one office in the
14 parish on the day on which the registration records are to be closed pursuant to
15 Paragraph (1) of this Subsection, the registrar shall not close the registration records
16 on that day. In such case, the registrar shall close the registration records on the first
17 day thereafter that the registrar opens an office in the parish.

18 (b) The registrar shall notify the secretary of state as soon as possible upon
19 determining that the registrar will be unable to open at least one office in the parish

