SLS 22RS-63 **ENGROSSED**

2022 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 74

BY SENATOR HEWITT

ELECTION CODE. Provides relative to the qualification of poll watchers. (gov sig)

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 18:427(A), relative to poll watchers; to provide for
3	qualifications; and to provide for related matters.
4	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
5	Section 1. R.S. 18:427(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:
6	§427. Watchers
7	A. Qualifications. A qualified voter of the state of Louisiana who is not
8	entitled to assistance in voting and is not a candidate in the election may serve as a
9	watcher; however, a watcher who is not a resident of the parish where he serves may
10	not serve as a commissioner.
11	* * *
12	Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
13	signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
14	by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
15	vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
16	effective on the day following such approval.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Matt DeVille.

DIGEST

SB 74 Engrossed

2022 Regular Session

Hewitt

<u>Present law</u> provides that any qualified Louisiana voter who is not entitled to assistance in voting and is not a candidate in the election may serve as a poll watcher.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that any qualified Louisiana voter who is not a candidate in the election may serve as a poll watcher.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 18:427(A))