2025 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 351

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## BY REPRESENTATIVE MIKE JOHNSON

2	To enact R.S. 18:1401(G), relative to objections to candidacy; to provide for penalties for
3	attesting to false information in a notice of candidacy; to provide for an effective
4	date; and to provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 18:1401(G) is hereby enacted to read as follows:
7	§1401. Objections to candidacy; contests of elections; contests of certification of
8	recall petition; parties authorized to institute actions; penalties
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10	G. Upon a determination that a candidate knowingly attested to false
11	information in a notice of candidacy, the court shall assess court costs and attorney
12	fees, and the court may impose any other sanctions the court deems appropriate
13	against the candidate.
14	Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
15	signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
16	by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
17	vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
18	effective on the day following such approval.
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