

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 4 (SB 90)

2025 Regular Session

Edmonds

Existing law provides that it is unlawful for a person to knowingly, willfully, or intentionally commit any of the following election offenses:

- (1) Failure to submit to the parish registrar of voters a completed registration application collected through a third-party voter registration drive within 30 days of receipt of the completed application.
- (2) Allow a ballot to be seen or announced in a manner that violates a voter's right to a secret ballot.
- (3) Failure to mark the ballot or vote in the manner dictated by the voter, when the voter requires assistance.
- (4) Knowingly making a false medical certification regarding the disability of the voter.
- (5) Transmit or otherwise provide false or misleading information concerning an election from a source disguised to appear or impersonating the secretary of state, a registrar of voters, a clerk of court, or other election official.
- (6) Facilitate the distribution and collection of an application for an absentee ballots or an absentee ballot in violation of existing law.

Existing law provides that the penalties for violating an election offense under existing law is a fine of not more than \$1,000 or imprisonment for not more than one year, or both, for the first offense. On a second or any subsequent offense, the penalty is a fine of not more than \$2,500 or imprisonment for not more than five years, or both.

New law retains existing law and further prohibits a person from knowingly, willfully, or intentionally participating in any bet or wager that is based upon any contingency whatsoever that arises from an election conducted pursuant to the Election Code, including any of the following:

- (1) Making an offer to bet or wager on an election.
- (2) Accepting a bet or wager on an election.
- (3) Taking a share or monetary interest in a bet or wager on an election.
- (4) Providing money to be used by another person in making a bet or wager on an election.
- (5) Acting in any manner to become a party to a bet or wager on an election.

Effective August 1, 2025.

(Adds R.S. 18:1461.7(A)(10))