

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 212 (HB 625)

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Present constitution (Const. Art. XIII, §1(A)(1)) requires that each joint resolution proposing a constitutional amendment specify the statewide election at which the proposed constitutional amendment shall be submitted to the state's electors for ratification. Provides that special elections for submitting proposed constitutional amendments may be authorized by law.

Existing law (R.S. 18:402) designates the fall gubernatorial election dates and the fall congressional dates as the regularly scheduled statewide elections for purposes of present constitution.

New law provides for a special election on Sat., April 18, 2026, for the purpose of submitting to the state's electors proposed constitutional amendments contained in joint resolutions concurred in during the 2025 R.S. Provides that new law shall be void and of no effect if no proposed constitutional amendment that specifies the special statewide election on April 18, 2026, as the statewide election at which the proposed constitutional amendment shall be submitted to the electors is concurred in.

New law provides that the election shall be held in compliance with applicable provisions of existing law (La. Election Code).

Effective upon signature of governor (June 8, 2025).