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HB 315 Engrossed

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Goudeau

Abstract: Authorizes persons subject to civil service restrictions on political activities to support the election of a family member.

<u>Present constitution</u> prohibits employees in the classified service of the state, New Orleans, and the fire and police civil service systems and certain other officials associated with those systems from engaging in various political activities.

<u>Proposed constitutional amendment</u> provides an exception to the <u>present constitution</u>, to authorize such persons to support the election of an immediate family member. Defines immediate family to mean a person's parent, his grandparent, his spouse and his spouse's parent, his child and his child's spouse, his grandchild and his grandchild's spouse, his brother and his brother's spouse, and his sister and his sister's spouse. Defines support to mean attending events and appearing in campaign advertisements and photographs. Excludes employees of the registrars of voters or employees of the elections division of the Dept. of State who are in the classified service.

Provides for submission of the proposed amendment to the voters at the statewide election to be held Nov. 8, 2022.

(Amends Const. Art. X, §§9 and 20)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on House and Governmental</u> <u>Affairs</u> to the <u>original</u> bill:

1. Exclude employees of the registrars of voters or employees of the elections division of the Dept. of State who are in the classified service from the exception.