AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:563(C)(1) and 1309(E)(4)(a), relative to voting; to provide for the amount of time a voter may remain in a voting machine; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 18:563(C)(1) and 1309(E)(4)(a) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§563. Procedure for voting

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C.(1)(a) A voter shall not remain in a voting machine longer than **three six** minutes. If a voter fails to leave a voting machine promptly after a commissioner has notified him that **three six** minutes have elapsed, the commissioners shall order the voter to complete voting and leave the voting machine.

(b) Notwithstanding Subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph, if the ballot is lengthy or if it contains complex propositions or constitutional amendments, the commissioners may allocate additional time in an equitable manner.

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§1309. Early voting; verification

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CODING: Words in **struck through** type are deletions from existing law; words **underscored** are additions.
(4)(a)(i) A voter shall not remain in a voting machine longer than three six minutes. If a voter fails to leave a voting machine promptly after the registrar or deputy registrar has notified him that three six minutes have elapsed, the registrar or deputy registrar shall have the voter removed from the voting machine.

(ii) Notwithstanding Item (i) of this Subparagraph, if the ballot is lengthy or if it contains complex propositions or constitutional amendments, the registrar or deputy registrar may allocate additional time in an equitable manner.

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Section 2. This Act shall become effective on January 1, 2022.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: __________________________