

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 924

BY REPRESENTATIVE EDMONDS

ELECTIONS: Provides for post-election tabulation audits of paper records including absentee ballots

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 18:1353(C)(5), relative to the powers and duties of the secretary of state; to
3 provide relative to voting; to provide for a post-election audit; to provide for policies
4 and procedures relative to post-election audits; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 18:1353(C)(5) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §1353. Secretary of state; powers and duties; voting systems and system
8 components; voter registration

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10 C. In addition to any other duties and functions provided by law, the
11 secretary of state shall:

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13 (5) Adopt uniform policies and procedures for the conduct of a post-election
14 tabulation audit of in-person and absentee by mail voter-verified paper records.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides relative to election tabulation audits of voter-verified paper records.

Present law provides for the powers and duties of the secretary of state with respect to voting machines. Requires the secretary to promulgate uniform rules and regulations with respect to procurement, preparation, and use of voting systems. Provides that such rules and regulations shall provide for standards and procedures for the control and auditability of voter-verified paper records.

Proposed law retains present law and requires the secretary of state to establish policies and procedures for the conduct of a post-election tabulation audit of in-person and absentee by mail voter-verified paper records.

(Adds R.S. 18:1353(C)(5))