

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 113 (HB 61)

2026 Regular Session

Bayham

Existing law provides for days of public rest and legal holidays, including George Washington's Birthday.

Prior law provided for Presidents' Day as a legal holiday and day of rest.

New law deletes prior law.

New law designates Jan. 8th as the Battle of New Orleans Day to honor those who served in this historic battle where American forces represented by volunteers from numerous military backgrounds scored a stunning victory over Great Britain in the War of 1812.

New law permits the governor or local governing authority to declare the Battle of New Orleans a holiday. Further provides that if the holiday is declared, the office of the secretary of state, clerk of court, and registrar of voters are to remain open if the functions and duties of the office related to an election are required as determined by the commissioner of elections.

Effective August 1, 2026.

(Amends R.S. 1:55(A)(1) and (7), (B)(2), (D), and (E)(1)(a)(i); Adds R.S. 1:58.10)