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HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Fannin to Engrossed House Bill No. 575 by Representative Fannin

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 18, after "A." and before "If" insert "(1)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, between lines 17 and 18, insert the following:

"(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of Paragraph (1) of this Subsection or R.S. 18:402, if a vacancy in the office of state legislator occurs and if six months or more of the term remains unexpired and in the discretion of the presiding officer of the house of the legislature in which the vacancy occurs a person may be elected and serve during a session of the legislature which occurs prior to the next regularly scheduled election dates provided in R.S. 18:402, then within ten days of the vacancy occurring, the presiding officer of the house in which the vacancy occurs shall determine the dates of the primary and general elections and the dates of the qualifying period for the election and shall issue a proclamation advising of the vacancy and setting forth the election dates and dates of the qualifying period for candidates. However, if the deadline for issuing the proclamation falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or other legal holiday, then the next day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday shall be deemed to be the final day for issuing such proclamation. The speaker of the House of Representatives or the president of the Senate shall immediately forward such information to the secretary of state, who shall within twenty-four hours after receipt of the information notify all election officials having any duty to perform in connection with a special election to fill such vacancy, including the parish boards of election supervisors for the parish or parishes in which the vacancy occurred. The secretary of state shall also publish the proclamation in the official journal of each parish in which the election is to be held."

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