
DIGEST

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HB No. 1036

Abstract: Authorizes an increase in compensation of absentee by mail and early voting commissioners for certain elections.

Present law provides qualifications for and procedures for selecting absentee by mail and early voting commissioners. Provides that a parish board of election supervisors may utilize absentee by mail and early voting commissioners to count absentee by mail and early voting ballots in the parish. Requires such ballots to be counted on election day. Provides that absentee by mail and early voting commissioners may assist the parish board of election supervisors in counting and tabulating provisional ballots in the parish. Provides that provisional ballots are counted on the third, and for some elections the fourth, day following the election. Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that an absentee by mail and early voting commissioner who serves on election day or during the counting and tabulating of provisional ballots shall receive \$50 for each day he serves.

Proposed law provides instead that an absentee by mail and early voting commissioner who serves on election day or during the counting and tabulating of provisional ballots shall receive \$50 or \$100 for each day he serves as provided below:

- (1) \$100 for elections for which the secretary of state has approved such compensation. The secretary of state may provide such approval upon application by the parish board of election supervisors when it is reasonably expected that a large number of persons will vote prior to election day.
- (2) \$50 for service rendered in connection with elections other than those provided for in (1) above.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 18:1314(E))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs to the original bill.

1. Removes provisions of proposed law specifically providing that absentee by mail and early voting commissioners receive \$100 for gubernatorial and congressional elections.