

Regular Session, 2012

HOUSE BILL NO. 209

BY REPRESENTATIVE FOIL AND SENATOR NEVERS

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 18:134(E) and 541, relative to voting; to provide for the hours
3 of voting; to provide for the time for opening of the polls; to provide for the hours
4 of the principal office of the registrar on election day; and to provide for related
5 matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 18:134(E) and 541 are hereby amended and reenacted to read as
8 follows:

9 §134. Office hours

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11 E.(1) On election days the principal office of the registrar shall remain open
12 from ~~6:00~~ 7:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. The registrar or a deputy registrar designated
13 by him shall remain in the office during that time.

14 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of Paragraph (1) of this Subsection, on
15 days when a regularly scheduled congressional primary election is held, the principal
16 office of the registrar shall remain open from 6:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. The registrar
17 or a deputy registrar designated by him shall remain in the office during that time.

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19 §541. Opening and closing of the polls

20 A. In the primary and general elections, the polls shall open at ~~6:00~~ 7:00 a.m.
21 on election day and shall close at 8:00 p.m. on election day.

22 B. Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsection A of this Section, in
23 regularly scheduled congressional primary elections and elections held at the same

1 time, the polls shall open at 6:00 a.m. on election day and shall close at 8 p.m. on
2 election day.

3 Section 2. This Act shall become effective on January 1, 2013.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____