

Regular Session, 2012

SENATE BILL NO. 137

BY SENATOR JOHNS

VOTERS/VOTING. Prohibits owner, operator or administrator of a nursing home to assist any voter in casting his ballot in an election. (gov sig)

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:1310(B)(1), relative to the Louisiana Election Code; to provide for a prohibition of any owner, operator or administrator of a nursing home from assisting any voter in casting his ballot in an election; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 18:1310(B)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§1310. Execution of certificate; marking of ballot; casting vote; assistance

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B.(1) No candidate in any election **and the owner, operator or administrator of a nursing home** shall assist any voter in casting his ballot in that election.

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Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by

1 the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Lauren Bailey.

DIGEST

Present law provides that no candidate in any election will assist any voter in casting his ballot in that election.

Proposed law retains present law and further provides that no owner, operator or administrator of a nursing home will assist any voter in casting his ballot in an election.

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

(Amends R.S. 18:1310(B)(1))