

2021 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 329

BY REPRESENTATIVE HARRIS

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

VOTERS/VOTING: Changes age of a child who may accompany a parent or legal guardian into a voting machine

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 18:563(B), relative to voting procedure; to provide for the  
3 presence of children while voting; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for  
4 related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 18:563(B) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §563. Procedure for voting

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9 B. A ~~pre-teen~~ child who is fifteen years of age or younger may accompany  
10 his parent or legal guardian into the voting machine.

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12 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not  
13 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature  
14 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If  
15 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become  
16 effective on the day following such approval.

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DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Changes the age of a child who may accompany a parent or guardian in a voting booth.

Present law provides that a pre-teen child may be present with a parent or legal guardian in a voting booth.

Proposed law increases the maximum age of a child who may be present to 15 years old.

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

(Amends R.S. 18:563(B))