

2016 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 614

BY REPRESENTATIVES MORENO, BAGNERIS, BOUIE, GARY CARTER, ROBBY CARTER, STEVE CARTER, JIMMY HARRIS, HAVARD, HILFERTY, HORTON, LYONS, MAGEE, MARCELLE, NORTON, PIERRE, PRICE, SMITH, AND WHITE

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 18:1310(A)(2) and to enact R.S. 18:1308(A)(1)(d), relative to
3 voting absentee by mail; to provide for the electronic transmission of voting
4 materials to certain voters under certain circumstances; to provide relative to the
5 procedures and requirements for voting using such materials; and to provide for
6 related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 18:1310(A)(2) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S.
9 18:1308(A)(1)(d) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

10 §1308. Absentee voting by mail

11 A.(1)

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13 (d)(i) Upon request, the registrar shall transmit electronically a ballot,
14 certificate, and waiver of the right to a secret ballot to a voter who is eligible to vote
15 absentee by mail pursuant to R.S. 18:1303(F) or (I) and who is unable to vote an
16 absentee by mail ballot without assistance because of a disability.

17 (ii) The waiver of the right to a secret ballot shall contain the following
18 statement: "My ballot was transmitted electronically to me, and I am voluntarily
19 waiving my right to a secret ballot." The waiver shall also contain spaces for the
20 voter's handwritten signature or mark, the date, and the last four digits of the voter's
21 social security number.

22 (iii) The voter shall mark the ballot and complete the certificate and waiver
23 as provided in R.S. 18:1310 and return his voted ballot and completed certificate and

