

SENATE BILL NO. 178

BY SENATOR RISER

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

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 18:118, relative to voter registration forms; to provide for the availability of  
3 voter registration cards by firearm retailers; to provide for registration with the  
4 secretary of state to receive voter registration information and procedures; to provide  
5 for definitions and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 18:118 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 **§118. Voter registration application form availability; firearm retailers**

9 **A. It is the intention of the legislature to increase the participation in the**  
10 **electoral process by the citizens of the state. Therefore, voter registration**  
11 **application forms, as provided for in this Section, may be made available to**  
12 **purchasers of firearms at the point of purchase from firearm retailers located**  
13 **in the state.**

14 **B. For the purposes of this Section:**

15 **(1) "Firearm" means any pistol, revolver, rifle or shotgun that is**  
16 **designed to fire or is capable of firing fixed cartridge ammunition or from**  
17 **which a shot or projectile is discharged by an explosive.**

18 **(2) "Firearm retailer" means any retailer who possesses a Type 01**  
19 **Federal Firearms License and employs twenty-five or more full-time employees.**

20 **C. Firearm retailers who make voter registration applications available**  
21 **may register with the secretary of state to receive voter registration information**  
22 **and procedures.**

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

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_