

# HB 412

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## Publication of Proposed Recommendations of the State Board of Election Supervisors

House Bill 412 would require the State Board of Election Supervisors to post their draft recommendations on the Secretary of State's website at least 72 hours before the Board votes on them.

Each year, the State Board of Election Supervisors drafts a long set of recommendations for changes to the Louisiana Election Code. This board meets to vote on these recommendations before preparing a report to the legislative Committees on Governmental Affairs.

This annual report can include findings, observations, and recommendations for:

- ✓ election laws in general
- ✓ registration procedures
- ✓ election procedures
- ✓ election officials
- ✓ voting machines
- ✓ tabulation and transmission of election returns
- ✓ procedures used for casting and counting absentee by mail and early voting ballots
- ✓ or any other aspect of elections the board deems appropriate

Many recent policies regarding voting rights and election laws were the direct product of this Board's recommendations. **Currently, the draft recommendations and final report are not provided to the public in advance of the Board's meeting or after.**

**This bill would require the Secretary of State, as the State's lead election administrator and a member of the Board, to publish the draft recommendations and final report on the Secretary of State's website prior to and following the Board's annual meeting, creating a more transparent and accessible process.**



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