

# HB 424

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## Early Voting Access

**This legislation would support parishes in adding additional early voting sites by setting optional benchmark standards for the number of early voting sites based on population and/or land mass and empowering the legislature to provide funding to support these efforts.**

Currently, there must be notice posted at the registrar's office informing the public of the location where they can vote early. This bill would also require that notice be posted on the local voting official's website, as feasible.

Under this bill, parishes would be encouraged to provide additional early voting sites for every 50,000 voters or five hundred square miles of landmass to ensure access for all voters and avoid long lines and delays during early voting periods.

### Why expand early voting locations?

- ➔ Voting in person on election day can be very difficult, if not impossible, for many people who do not have flexible work schedules, or are caring for family members. Early voting makes it easier for many people to cast their vote safely and securely.
- ➔ In 2024, there was the highest voter turnout ever on the first day of early voting for the presidential election. As early voting options have expanded, Louisiana voters have shown that they like this option.
- ➔ Over the past few years, parishes have already expanded their early voting sites, leading to lower waiting times and lines. This means many parishes would not need to add new sites, but that it will reinforce what is already working in Louisiana.



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