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SECRETARY OF STATE FOCUSES ON ELECTION SECURITY MEASURES FOR 2026 REGULAR LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BATON ROUGE, La. — Louisiana Secretary of State Nancy Landry announced that the Department of State’s 2026 legislative package for the upcoming Regular Legislative Session continues her focus on strengthening Louisiana’s strong election integrity and security laws.

“Louisiana has made tremendous progress over the past two years in strengthening the security and integrity of our elections,” Secretary Landry said. “Working with the Legislature, these measures will help us continue to protect voters, maintain accurate voter rolls, and ensure confidence in the integrity of Louisiana’s elections.”

The Department’s bill package includes:

- HB 691 by Representative Beau Beaulieu;
- HB 547 by Representative Polly Thomas; and
- SB 319 by Senator Thomas Pressly.

HB 691 by Rep. Beaulieu helps maintain the integrity of Louisiana’s voter rolls by checking it against the Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements (SAVE) program to identify potential noncitizen matches.

HB 547 by Rep. Thomas prevents individuals from photographing, recording, or reproducing voter registration information in precinct registers. This protects voters who have not voted yet from intimidation tactics, as well as helps prevent attempts to vote under another’s name.

SB 319 by Sen. Pressly provides specific ways to positively verify the identity of those individuals who come to vote. This bill also adds additional ways for individuals who might not have their picture ID available to verify their identity so they can vote.

Together, these measures are designed to strengthen election integrity and security while protecting eligible voters.

Louisiana currently ranks 4th in the country in election integrity, according to the Heritage Foundation, moving up from ninth place in the last two years due to reforms by the Secretary of State and legislators. Arkansas and Tennessee are tied for first, followed by Alabama in third.

The rankings evaluate states across 14 categories, including voter ID implementation, accuracy of voter registration lists, absentee ballot management, vote counting practices, and verification of citizenship.

Secretary Landry will be available for 10 minute interviews by credentialed media via phone, virtually, or in-person at the Secretary of State’s Office on Wednesday, March 11 from 3-4:30 p.m. Interested media outlets can contact Trey Williams at trey.williams@sos.la.gov or 225-922-0820 to schedule a time to speak with Secretary Landry.

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