

2015 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 241

BY REPRESENTATIVE BARRAS

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 24:205, R.S. 25:125, and R.S. 43:22, to enact R.S. 24:173.1, and  
3 to repeal R.S. 24:173, relative to certain state publications and documents; to remove  
4 certain provisions requiring the secretary of state to distribute certain publications  
5 and documents to specified persons and public entities; to provide for the distribution  
6 of certain publications and documents to specified libraries and officials; to remove  
7 certain provisions providing certain publications to certain persons and public  
8 entities free of charge; to provide relative to the fees collected for certain  
9 publications by the secretary of state; and to provide for related matters.

10 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

11 Section 1. R.S. 24:205 is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 24:173.1 is hereby  
12 enacted to read as follows:

13 §173.1. Distribution of Acts and journals

14 In addition to the distribution required by R.S. 25:125, after each session of  
15 the legislature, the secretary of state shall distribute one copy of the Acts and  
16 journals of each house of the legislature to the State Library of Louisiana, one copy  
17 of the Acts of the legislature to both the Huey P. Long Memorial Library and the  
18 Law Library of Louisiana at New Orleans, three copies of the Acts of the legislature  
19 to the clerk of the House of Representatives, and five copies of the Acts of the  
20 legislature to the secretary of the Senate.

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22 §205. Reports; advisory capacity; printing and distribution of reports

23 The Louisiana State Law Institute, in submitting reports to the legislature  
24 shall act solely in an advisory capacity. Its reports, studies, and recommended

1 publications shall be ~~printed and shall be distributed through the Secretary of State~~  
2 ~~in the same manner as acts of the legislature~~ public and available as provided by law.

3 Section 2. R.S. 25:125 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

4 §125. Documents to be supplied to law library of state university; exchanges

5 A. The secretary of state shall deliver to the law library of Louisiana State  
6 University and Agricultural and Mechanical College the following public documents,  
7 not later than ninety days after they are printed from time to time: ~~ten~~ three copies  
8 of the Acts of the legislature, ~~five~~ two copies of the journals of each house of the  
9 legislature, and ~~five~~ two copies of the proceedings of any constitutional convention.

10 B. In any contract which the Supreme Court may make for the printing of the  
11 supreme court reports, provision shall be made that the printer thereof shall deliver  
12 to the law library of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical  
13 College, without charge, fifty copies of each volume thereof within a reasonable time  
14 after printing.

15 C. The law library of the Louisiana State University and Agricultural and  
16 Mechanical College shall exchange the public documents ~~enumerated in~~ received  
17 pursuant to this Section for publications relating to government useful to students of  
18 public law and to public officials; and shall catalogue such material so as to make it  
19 serviceable to members of the legislature.

20 Section 3. R.S. 43:22 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

21 §22. Sale of ~~acts~~; Acts; price

22 The secretary of state shall retain and keep in the state archives at all times  
23 one printed copy and one microfilm copy of the ~~acts~~ Acts of the legislature delivered  
24 to him ~~under the provisions of~~ as provided in R.S. 43:19, ~~and, after making the~~  
25 ~~distributions authorized by R.S. 24:173 and R.S. 25:125.~~ The secretary of state shall  
26 collect from any person or public or private entity to which he distributes a copy or  
27 copies of the ~~acts~~ Acts of the legislature, except any state agency or official ~~of the~~  
28 ~~state~~ to which he is required by law to distribute copies, ~~including members of the~~  
29 ~~legislature~~; a fee equal to the cost, plus ten percent of such cost, of printing and  
30 delivery thereof. ~~The proceeds from collection of such fees shall be remitted by the~~

1            ~~secretary of state to the Supreme Court of Louisiana for the purchase of law books~~  
2            ~~for the Law Library of Louisiana at New Orleans.~~

3            Section 4. R.S. 24:173 is hereby repealed in its entirety.

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

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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