

# Louisiana Senate



## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, a vacancy exists in the office of State Senate, District 16, due to the resignation of Senator William M. "Bill" Cassidy; and

**WHEREAS**, Louisiana Revised Statutes 18:601 provides that such vacancy shall be filled by special election called by the President of the Senate.

**NOW, THEREFORE I**, Joel T. Chaisson, II, President of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana do hereby issue this notice, call, and proclamation for a special primary and special general election to be held throughout the jurisdiction of Senate District 16, for the purpose of electing a State Senator.

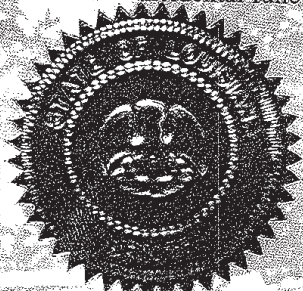
Any qualified person desiring to become a candidate for the office shall file the notice of candidacy, accompanied either by a qualifying fee or a nominating petition, as required or authorized by law, with the appropriate election official in the manner and form and under the procedures and conditions provided by Subpart B of Part IV of Chapter 5, or any other applicable provision, of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, during the period commencing at 8:00 a.m. Wednesday, January 14, 2009 and ending at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, January 16, 2009.

The election herein called, noticed, and provided for and proclaimed shall be held and conducted under the applicable provisions of the Louisiana Election Code, being Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950.

I hereby fix the date of the primary election for Saturday, March 7, 2009, and the date for the general election for Saturday, April 4, 2009, at the times and places, and in the manner prescribed by law.

Accordingly, I now authorize, request, direct, and empower the Secretary of State, the Parish Board of Election Supervisors, the Registrar of Voters and all other persons charged with any power, function, right, duty, or responsibility in conducting elections in the jurisdiction of Senate District 16, to exercise every lawful function, do every act necessary to conduct elections, cause the returns thereof to be made, and in general, to perform all related and incidental functions necessary to canvass and promulgate the results thereof.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Seal of the Senate of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this day 31<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2008.



ATTEST BY  
THE SECRETARY

*Clem Koepf*  
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Secretary of the Senate

*Joel T. Chaisson, II*  
Senator Joel T. Chaisson, II  
President of the Senate