

CRIMINAL JUSTICE BILLS/INSTRUMENTS, 2026 Legislative Session (updated 3/25/2026)

Committee	Bill Number	Author, Party & District	Summary	LWVLA Position	Status
House & Governmental Affairs	HB 270	Terry Landry (D-East Baton Rouge)	VOTERS/VOTING: Provides for absentee voting by mail by qualified incarcerated voters	<p>SUPPORT</p> <p><i>League Position:</i> LWV supports facilitation of voting rights and access to the ballot for those impacted by the criminal justice system. Voters in jail prior to felony conviction do not lose their right to vote. Further, Louisiana has some of the longest periods of pre-trial incarceration in the country, and voters in jail should not be disenfranchised prior to conviction.</p>	Current Status: Pending House and Governmental Affairs
House & Governmental Affairs	HB 361	Terry Landry (D-East Baton Rouge)	VOTING/REGISTRATION: Provides for the reinstatement of the voter registration of a person who is no longer under an order of imprisonment	<p>SUPPORT</p> <p><i>League Position:</i> LWV supports restoration of voting rights to those with past felony convictions to promote successful rehabilitation and re-entry to society.</p>	Current Status: Pending House and Governmental Affairs