

**POLICE: MAN,
SETS HOUSE ON
FIRE, REFUSES
TO LEAVE 2A**



**OCEAN SPRINGS
MAYOR VETOES
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**BILOXI POLICE:
TEEN HOSPITALIZED,
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VIOLENCE ERUPTS ON STREETS OF BALTIMORE

- 15 officers injured
- National Guard called out; curfew set
- 27 people arrested
- Governor declares state of emergency



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Baltimore firefighters battle a three-alarm fire Monday at a senior living facility under construction at Federal and Chester Streets in East Baltimore. It was unclear whether it was related to the ongoing riots but was one of several fires in the area.

By PETER HERMANN, HAMIL R. HARRIS and ASHLEY HALSEY III
The Washington Post

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Baltimore police: Gangs are teaming up to 'take out' officers, 12A

the Inner Harbor was postponed out of concern that the violence would spread five miles east.

Police from surrounding communities were called in to help Gov. Larry Hogan, Republican, declared a state of emergency in the city and activated the National Guard.

The officers were injured — some with broken bones and at least one rendered unconscious — shortly after the violence began at about 3 p.m. Two officers remained hospitalized

late on Monday; they had been hit with items thrown mostly by school-age youths, police said. Officers in full riot gear were pelted with rocks and bottles as they moved in to arrest some of the dozens of young people who had assaulted them.

Mobs destroyed police cars, started several small fires, and invaded a check-cashing agency and sought to break into its ATM. Looters carried off armloads of merchandise from liquor stores and a CVS pharmacy at Pennsylvania and North avenues that also was set ablaze. By nightfall, 27 people had been arrested.

Mayor Stephanie Rawlings-Blake, Democrat, late on Monday

BALTIMORE TO 4A

“Eight hours of peaceful protest and all we got to show for it is a riot.

Ochilo Kelo, 35, said to police officers

“It is heart-wrenching, but it is something that we have been anticipating. People are frustrated. It is like a rat who has been backed into a corner. These folks have had enough.”

The Rev. Duane Simmons, pastor of Simmons Memorial Baptist Church

VOTE TODAY



BILOXI MAYOR'S RACE

Who will it be?

Voters to pick from field of 10 in special election to fill mayor's term

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It's been 22 years since Biloxi has had a mayor other than A.J. Holloway, and today voters will go to the polls and cast their votes for one of 10 candidates they believe should be Biloxi's mayor for the next two years.

Preparations were under way at Biloxi City Hall on Monday and Municipal Clerk Stacy Thacker said ballot boxes were being picked up for each of the 10 polling places before 5 p.m. so they would be ready when the polls open at 7 a.m. today.

Rain is forecast early today, but it is expected to clear out by the afternoon to let voters stay dry and cast their vote before the polls close at 7 p.m. A photo ID is required.

Then the drama moves to City Hall, where candidates and their supporters will watch the ballot boxes arrive. The lead could change several times as

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See a map of voting places in your ward

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List of Biloxi polling places, 4A

Slight chance of severe weather early today across Coast

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A low pressure system will move across South Mississippi through this afternoon, prompting a Flash Flood Watch until then.

The strongest part of a line of squalls that caused damage in Louisiana on Monday shifted south into the Gulf of Mexico by mid-afternoon Monday, passing mainly south of Gulf-

port and Mobile.

But a slight risk of severe weather remains early today for Harrison and Jackson counties, according to the National Weather Service in Slidell.

“There is a slight risk of severe thunderstorms across most of south central and southeast Louisiana and the coastal waters and a marginal risk of severe thunderstorms across South Mississippi,” the

NWS forecast says. “Main hazards include damaging winds, large hail, continuous lightning, very heavy rain and isolated tornadoes and waterspouts.”

A Small Craft Advisory is also in effect until 6 a.m. today.

On Monday the NWS issued a High Wind Warning and Tornado Watch on the Coast after gusts top-

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TRAIN CARS TOPPLED IN LOUISIANA

Train cars are crashed beneath the Huey P. Long Bridge, which crosses over the Mississippi River, after they toppled off the bridge from high winds in Jefferson Parish, La., just outside New Orleans, on Monday as a line of severe thunderstorms moved across southeast Louisiana.

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