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IN SENATE

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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY

proposing an amendment to article 4 of the constitution, relating to the lieutenant-governor acting as governor

Section 1. Resolved (if the Assembly concur), That the third undesig-1 2 nated paragraph of section 5 of article 4 of the constitution be amended 3 to read as follows: 4 In case the governor is impeached[, is absent from the state] or is otherwise unable to discharge the powers and duties of 5 the office of 6 governor, the lieutenant-governor shall act as governor until the 7 inability shall cease or until the term of the governor shall expire. S 2. Resolved (if the Assembly concur), That the third, fourth and fifth undesignated paragraphs of section 6 of article 4 of the constitu-8 9 10 tion be amended to read as follows: In case of vacancy in the offices of both governor and lieutenant-gov-11 ernor or if both of them shall be impeached[, absent from the state] or 12 13 otherwise unable to discharge the powers and duties of the office of governor, the temporary president of the senate shall act as governor until the inability shall cease or until a governor shall be elected. 14 15 In case of vacancy in the office of lieutenant-governor alone, or if 16 17 lieutenant-governor shall be impeached[, absent from the state] or the 18 otherwise unable to discharge the duties of office, the temporary president of the senate shall perform all the duties of lieutenant-governor 19 20 during such [vacancy or] inability. 21 If, when the duty of acting as governor devolves upon the temporary 22 president of the senate, there be a vacancy in such office or the temporary president of the senate shall be [absent from the state or] other-23 24 wise unable to discharge the duties of governor, the speaker of the 25 assembly shall act as governor during such [vacancy or] inability. S 3. Resolved (if the Assembly concur), That the foregoing amendment be referred to the first regular legislative session convening after the 26 27 EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [] is old law to be omitted.

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1 next succeeding general election of members of the assembly, and, in 2 conformity with section 1 of article 19 of the constitution, be 3 published for 3 months previous to the time of such election.