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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY

proposing an amendment to section 14 of article 3 of the constitution, in relation to the manner of passing bills

1 Section 1. Resolved (if the Assembly concur), That section 14 of arti-
2 cle 3 of the constitution be amended to read as follows:

3 S 14. No bill shall be passed or become a law unless it shall have
4 been printed and upon the desks of the members, in its final form, at
5 least three calendar legislative days prior to its final passage, unless
6 the governor, or the acting governor, shall have certified, under his or
7 her hand and the seal of the state, the facts which in his or her opin-
8 ion necessitate an immediate vote thereon, in which case it must never-
9 theless be upon the desks of the members in final form, not necessarily
10 printed, before its final passage; nor shall any bill be passed or
11 become a law, except by the assent of a majority of the members elected
12 to each branch of the legislature; and upon the last reading of a bill,
13 no amendment thereof shall be allowed, and the question upon its final
14 passage shall be taken immediately thereafter, and the ayes and nays
15 entered on the journal.

16 FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, A BILL SHALL BE DEEMED TO BE PRINTED AND
17 UPON THE DESKS OF THE MEMBERS IF: IT IS SET FORTH IN A LEGIBLE ELECTRON-
18 IC FORMAT BY ELECTRONIC MEANS, AND IT IS AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW IN SUCH
19 FORMAT AT THE DESKS OF THE MEMBERS. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION "ELEC-
20 TRONIC MEANS" MEANS ANY METHOD OF TRANSMISSION OF INFORMATION BETWEEN
21 COMPUTERS OR OTHER MACHINES DESIGNED FOR THE PURPOSE OF SENDING AND
22 RECEIVING SUCH TRANSMISSIONS AND WHICH: ALLOWS THE RECIPIENT TO
23 REPRODUCE THE INFORMATION TRANSMITTED IN A TANGIBLE MEDIUM OF

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[] is old law to be omitted.

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1 EXPRESSION; AND DOES NOT PERMIT ADDITIONS, DELETIONS OR OTHER CHANGES TO
2 BE MADE WITHOUT LEAVING AN ADEQUATE RECORD THEREOF.

3 S 2. Resolved (if the Assembly concur), That the foregoing amendment
4 be referred to the first regular legislative session convening after the
5 next succeeding general election of members of the assembly, and, in
6 conformity with section 1 of article 19 of the constitution, be
7 published for 3 months previous to the time of such election.