

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. R. CARROLL -- read once and referred to the  
Committee on Governmental Operations

AN ACT to amend the public officers law, in relation to the appointment  
of a lieutenant-governor

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Section 43 of the public officers law, as renumbered by  
2 chapter 649 of the laws of 1922, is amended to read as follows:

3 § 43. Filling other vacancies. 1. If a vacancy shall occur, otherwise  
4 than by expiration of term, with no provision of law for filling the  
5 same, if the office be elective, the governor shall appoint a person to  
6 execute the duties thereof until the vacancy shall be filled by an  
7 election. But if the term of such officer shall expire with the calendar  
8 year in which the appointment shall be made, or if the office be appoin-  
9 tive, the appointee shall hold for the residue of the term.

10 2. In the case of a vacancy in the office of the lieutenant-governor,  
11 the governor shall nominate a lieutenant-governor who shall take office  
12 upon confirmation by separate majority votes in each house of the state  
13 legislature.

14 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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