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Introduced by Sen. ADAMS -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Investigations and Government Operations

AN ACT to amend the public officers law, in relation to extending the deadline for calling special elections to fill vacancies in the offices of state senator and member of assembly

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1     Section 1. Subdivision 4 of section 42 of the public officers law, as  
2 amended by chapter 317 of the laws of 1954, is amended to read as  
3 follows:  
4     4. A special election shall not be held to fill a vacancy in the  
5 office of a representative in congress unless such vacancy occurs on or  
6 before the first day of July of the last year of the term of office, or  
7 unless it occurs thereafter and a special session of congress is called  
8 to meet before the next general election, or be called after September  
9 nineteenth of such year; nor to fill a vacancy in the office of state  
10 senator or in the office of member of assembly, unless the vacancy  
11 occurs ON OR before the first day of [April] JUNE of the last year of  
12 the term of office, or unless the vacancy occurs in either such office  
13 of senator or member of assembly after such first day of [April] JUNE  
14 and a special session of the legislature be called to meet between such  
15 first day of [April] JUNE and the next general election or be called  
16 after September nineteenth in such year. If a special election to fill  
17 an office shall not be held as required by law, the [office] VACANCY  
18 shall be filled at the next general election.  
19     S 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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