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Introduced by Sen. LAVALLE -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Elections

AN ACT to provide for the submission to the people of a proposition or question to convene a constitutional convention

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

1     Section 1. Pursuant to the provisions of section 2 of article XIX of  
2     the New York state constitution, the question "Shall there be a conven-  
3     tion to revise the constitution and amend the same for the sole and  
4     limited purposes of providing for a process of choosing a lieutenant  
5     governor in the event of a vacancy in such office and for achieving real  
6     property tax law reform?" shall be submitted to and decided by the  
7     people of the state at the general election to be held in the next  
8     succeeding November after the effective date of this act.  
9     S 2. If the question stated in section one of this act is answered in  
10    the affirmative by a majority of all votes cast for and against it,  
11    decided in favor of a convention for such purpose, the procedures and  
12    provisions of section 2 of article XIX of the constitution shall apply  
13    and be implemented, except that such convention shall only consider and  
14    submit amendments to the constitution for the sole and limited purposes  
15    of providing for a process of choosing a lieutenant governor in the  
16    event of a vacancy in such office and for achieving real property tax  
17    law reform.  
18    S 3. This act shall take effect immediately; provided that the  
19    provisions of section two of this act shall not take effect unless and  
20    until the question proposed in section one of this act shall have been  
21    submitted to the people at the general election to be held in the next  
22    succeeding November after the effective date of this act, and shall have  
23    received a majority of all votes cast for and against it at such  
24    election.     Upon approval by the people, section two of this act shall  
25    take effect immediately. The ballots to be furnished for the use of the

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

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1 voters upon the submission of section one of this act shall be in the  
2 form prescribed by the election law, and the proposition or question to  
3 be submitted shall be printed in the following form: "Shall there be a  
4 convention to revise the constitution and amend the same for the sole  
5 and limited purposes of providing for a process of choosing a lieutenant  
6 governor in the event of a vacancy in such office and for achieving real  
7 property tax law reform?"