## 4812

2015-2016 Regular Sessions

IN ASSEMBLY

February 6, 2015

Introduced by M. of A. SCHIMMINGER, TENNEY -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. GALEF, MAGEE, MORELLE, ORTIZ -- read once and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY

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

1 Section 1. Resolved (if the Senate concur), That the third undesig-2 nated paragraph of section 5 of article 4 of the constitution be amended 3 to read as follows:

In case the governor is impeached[, is absent from the state] or is otherwise unable to discharge the powers and duties of the office of governor, the lieutenant-governor shall act as governor until the nability shall cease or until the term of the governor shall expire.

8 S 2. Resolved (if the Senate concur), That the third, fourth and fifth 9 undesignated paragraphs of section 6 of article 4 of the constitution be 10 amended to read as follows:

In case of vacancy in the offices of both governor and lieutenant-governor or if both of them shall be impeached[, absent from the state] or 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.

16 In case of vacancy in the office of lieutenant-governor alone, or if 17 the lieutenant-governor shall be impeached[, absent from the state] or 18 otherwise unable to discharge the duties of office, the temporary presi-19 dent of the senate shall perform all the duties of lieutenant-governor 20 during such [vacancy or] inability.

If, when the duty of acting as governor devolves upon the temporary 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] otherwise unable to discharge the duties of governor, the speaker of the assembly shall act as governor during such [vacancy or] inability.

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

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