2015-2016 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

January 26, 2015

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:

Section 1. Pursuant to the provisions of section 2 of article XIX of the New York state constitution, the question "Shall there be a convention to revise the constitution and amend the same for the sole and limited purposes of providing for a process of choosing a lieutenant governor in the event of a vacancy in such office and for achieving real property tax law reform?" shall be submitted to and decided by the people of the state at the general election to be held in the next succeeding November after the effective date of this act.

- S 2. If the question stated in section one of this act is answered in the affirmative by a majority of all votes cast for and against it, decided in favor of a convention for such purpose, the procedures and provisions of section 2 of article XIX of the constitution shall apply and be implemented, except that such convention shall only consider and submit amendments to the constitution for the sole and limited purposes of providing for a process of choosing a lieutenant governor in the event of a vacancy in such office and for achieving real property tax law reform.
- S 3. This act shall take effect immediately; provided that the provisions of section two of this act shall not take effect unless and until the question proposed in section one of this act shall have been submitted to the people at the general election to be held in the next succeeding November after the effective date of this act, and shall have received a majority of all votes cast for and against it at such election. Upon approval by the people, section two of this act shall 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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voters upon the submission of section one of this act shall be in the form prescribed by the election law, and the proposition or question to be submitted shall be printed in the following form: "Shall there be a convention to revise the constitution and amend the same for the sole and limited purposes of providing for a process of choosing a lieutenant governor in the event of a vacancy in such office and for achieving real property tax law reform?"