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IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. BARCLAY -- read once and referred to the Committee on Judiciary

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY

proposing an amendment to section 14 of article 3 of the constitution, in relation to prohibiting the governor from issuing a message of necessity for budget related bills

Section 1. Resolved (if the Senate concur), That section 14 of article 3 of the constitution be amended to read as follows:

§ 14. No bill shall be passed or become a law unless it shall have 3 been printed and upon the desks of the members, in its final form, at least three calendar legislative days prior to its final passage, unless the governor, or the acting governor, shall have certified, under his or 7 her hand and the seal of the state, the facts which in his or her opinion necessitate an immediate vote thereon, in which case it must nevertheless be upon the desks of the members in final form, not necessarily printed, before its final passage, provided, however, such immediate 10 vote shall not be permitted for budget bills or appropriation bills relating thereto; nor shall any bill be passed or become a law, except 12 13 by the assent of a majority of the members elected to each branch of the 14 legislature; and upon the last reading of a bill, no amendment thereof 15 shall be allowed, and the question upon its final passage shall be taken 16 immediately thereafter, and the ayes and nays entered on the journal.

For purposes of this section, a bill shall be deemed to be printed and upon the desks of the members if: it is set forth in a legible electronic format by electronic means, and it is available for review in such format at the desks of the members. For purposes of this section "electronic means means any method of transmission of information between 22 computers or other machines designed for the purpose of sending and 23 receiving such transmissions and which: allows the recipient to 24 reproduce the information transmitted in a tangible medium of expression; and does not permit additions, deletions or other changes to 25 26 be made without leaving an adequate record thereof.

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

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