

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION E

February 1, 2001, Introduced by Senators SIKKEMA, JOHNSON, MC MANUS, STEIL, NORTH, SCHUETTE, GOUGEON, HAMMERSTROM, GAST, BENNETT, BULLARD and DUNASKISS and referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution of 1963, by amending section 21 of article V, to provide for the filling of the office of lieutenant governor upon a vacancy.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the state of Michigan, That the following amendment to the state constitution of 1963, to provide for the filling of the office of lieutenant governor upon a vacancy, is proposed, agreed to, and submitted to the people of the state:

ARTICLE V

Sec. 21. The governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state and attorney general shall be elected for four-year terms at the general election in each alternate even-numbered year.

The lieutenant governor, secretary of state and attorney general shall be nominated by party conventions in a manner

1 prescribed by law. In the general election one vote shall be
2 cast jointly for the candidates for governor and lieutenant gov-
3 ernor nominated by the same party.

4 BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2003, A VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF LIEU-
5 TENANT GOVERNOR SHALL BE FILLED BY APPOINTMENT BY THE GOVERNOR
6 WITH THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE. Vacancies in the
7 office of the secretary of state and attorney general shall be
8 filled by appointment by the governor.

9 Resolved further, That the foregoing amendment shall be sub-
10 mitted to the people of the state at the next general election in
11 the manner provided by law.