SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 1024

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF ARIZONA; AMENDING ARTICLE V, SECTION 1, CONSTITUTION OF ARIZONA, AS AMENDED BY PROPOSITION 100, ELECTION OF NOVEMBER 3, 1992; AMENDING ARTICLE V, SECTIONS 6 AND 9, CONSTITUTION OF ARIZONA; RELATING TO THE EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

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Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Arizona, the House of Representatives concurring:

1. Article V, section 1, Constitution of Arizona, as amended by proposition 100, election of November 3, 1992, is proposed to be amended as follows if approved by the voters and on proclamation of the Governor:

   1. Executive department; state officers; terms; election; residence and office at seat of government; duties

   Section 1. A. The executive department shall consist of the governor, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR, secretary of state, ATTORNEY GENERAL, state treasurer, attorney general, and superintendent of public instruction, each of whom shall hold office for four years beginning on the first Monday of January, 1971 next after the regular general election in 1970.

   B. The person having the highest number of the votes cast for the office voted for shall be elected, but if two or more persons have an equal and the highest number of votes for the office, the two houses of the legislature at its next regular session shall elect forthwith, by joint ballot, one of such persons for said office.

   C. NOT LATER THAN SIXTY DAYS BEFORE THE GENERAL ELECTION UNLESS THE LEGISLATURE PRESCRIBES OTHERWISE BY STATUTE, EACH NOMINEE FOR THE OFFICE OF GOVERNOR SHALL NAME A LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR NOMINEE AND SHALL RUN ON A TICKET AS A JOINT CANDIDATE IN THE GENERAL ELECTION WITH THAT NOMINEE FOR THE OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR. THE NAME OF THE NOMINEE FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR SHALL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT WITH OR BELOW THE NAME OF THE JOINT NOMINEE FOR GOVERNOR IN A MANNER THAT INDICATES THEY ARE RUNNING ON A TICKET AS JOINT CANDIDATES. AT THE GENERAL ELECTION, A SINGLE VOTE FOR A NOMINEE FOR GOVERNOR SHALL CONSTITUTE A VOTE FOR THAT NOMINEE'S TICKET, INCLUDING THE NOMINEE FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR. FOR ANY WINNING CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR AT THE GENERAL ELECTION, THAT WINNING CANDIDATE'S JOINT CANDIDATE FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR IS THE WINNING CANDIDATE FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

   D. The officers of the executive department during their terms of office shall reside at the seat of government where they shall keep their offices and the public records, books, and papers. They shall perform such duties as are prescribed by the constitution and as may be provided by law.
2. Article V, section 6, Constitution of Arizona, is proposed to be amended as follows if approved by the voters and on proclamation of the Governor:

6. Death, resignation, removal or disability of governor or lieutenant governor; succession to office; impeachment, absence from state or temporary disability

Section 6. A. In the event of the death of the governor, or THE GOVERNOR'S resignation, removal from office, or permanent disability to discharge the duties of the office, the secretary of state, if holding by election, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR shall succeed to the office of governor until his A successor shall be elected and shall qualify. If

B. In the event of the death of the lieutenant governor, or the lieutenant governor's resignation, removal from office, or permanent disability to discharge the duties of the office, the governor shall appoint a person to serve as lieutenant governor, subject to approval by a majority vote of the members of each house of the legislature.

C. If a vacancy in the office of governor occurs with or during a vacancy in the office of lieutenant governor, the secretary of state shall succeed to the office of governor if holding by election, or shall fail to qualify as governor, the attorney general, the state treasurer, or the superintendent of public instruction if holding by election, shall, in the order named, succeed to the office of governor.

D. The taking of the oath of office as governor by any person specified in this section shall constitute resignation from the office by virtue of the holding of which the PERSON qualifies as governor. Any successor to the office shall become governor in fact and entitled to all of the emoluments, powers and duties of governor upon taking the oath of office.

E. In the event of the impeachment of the governor, THE GOVERNOR'S absence from the state or other temporary disability to discharge the duties of the office, the powers and duties of the office of governor shall devolve upon the same person as in case of vacancy, but only until the disability ceases.

3. Article V, section 9, Constitution of Arizona, is proposed to be amended as follows if approved by the voters and on proclamation of the Governor:

9. Powers and duties of state officers

Section 9. The powers and duties of LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR, secretary of state, ATTORNEY GENERAL, state
4. **Applicability**

This proposition applies beginning with elections for the term of office that starts in 2027.

5. The Secretary of State shall submit this proposition to the voters at the next general election as provided by article XXI, Constitution of Arizona.