### A BILL FOR AN ACT

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE V, SECTION 2, OF THE HAWAII STATE CONSTITUTION TO CHANGE THE METHOD OF ELECTING THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

### BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- 1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to propose an
- 2 amendment to article V, section 2, of the Constitution of the
- 3 State of Hawaii to allow a gubernatorial candidate, after the
- 4 primary election, to appoint a person from the same political
- 5 party as a running mate for lieutenant governor.
- 6 SECTION 2. Article V, section 2, of the Constitution of
- 7 the State of Hawaii is amended to read as follows:

### 8 "LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

- 9 Section 2. There shall be a lieutenant governor who shall
- 10 have the same qualifications as the governor. The lieutenant
- 11 governor shall be elected at the same time, for the same term
- 12 [and in the same manner] as the governor; provided that
- 13 following the primary election, the nominee of each political
- 14 party shall appoint a person from the same political party for
- 15 lieutenant governor; provided further that the votes cast in the
- 16 general election for the nominee for governor shall be deemed
- 17 cast for the nominee for lieutenant governor [of] from the same 2013-0942 HB SMA-1.doc



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- 1 political party. No person shall be elected to the office of
- 2 lieutenant governor for more than two consecutive full terms.
- 3 The lieutenant governor shall perform such duties as may be
- 4 provided by law."
- 5 SECTION 3. The question to be printed on the ballot shall
- 6 be as follows:
- 7 "Shall the nominee for lieutenant governor be appointed by a
- 8 gubernatorial nominee, following the primary election, for
- 9 the same term and from the same political party as the
- 10 qubernatorial nominee, rather than be elected in a separate
- 11 election?"
- 12 SECTION 4. Constitutional material to be repealed is
- 13 bracketed and stricken. New constitutional material is
- 14 underscored.
- 15 SECTION 5. This amendment shall take effect upon
- 16 compliance with article XVII, section 3, of the Constitution of

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17 the State of Hawaii.

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### Report Title:

Constitutional Amendment; Lieutenant Governor; Appointment; Elections; Governor

### Description:

Proposes an amendment to article V, section 2, of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii to allow the governor, upon election, to appoint a person for the same term and from the same political party to the position of lieutenant governor.

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