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A BILL FOR AN ACT

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE V, SECTION 2, OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII.

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 require the gubernatorial nominee from each
- 4 political party to appoint a person from the same political
- 5 party as a running mate for lieutenant governor in the general
- 6 election.
- 7 SECTION 2. Article V, section 2, of the Constitution of
- 8 the State of Hawaii is amended to read as follows:
- 9 "LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR
- 10 Section 2. There shall be a lieutenant governor who shall
- 11 have the same qualifications as the governor. The lieutenant
- 12 governor shall be elected at the same time, for the same term
- 13 [and in the same manner] as the governor; provided that
- 14 following the primary election, the candidate of each political
- 15 party for the office of governor shall appoint a person from the
- 16 same political party as the candidate of that party for

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lieutenant governor; provided further that the votes cast in the 1 general election for the nominee for governor shall be deemed 2 3 cast for the nominee for lieutenant governor [of] from the same political party. No person shall be elected to the office of 4 5 lieutenant governor for more than two consecutive full terms. The lieutenant governor shall perform such duties as may be 6 7 provided by law." 8 SECTION 3. The question to be printed on the ballot shall 9 be as follows: 10 "Shall the nominee for lieutenant governor be appointed by the gubernatorial nominee, following the primary election, 11 12 for the same term and from the same political party as the gubernatorial nominee, rather than be elected in a separate 13 election?" 14 15 SECTION 4. Constitutional material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken. New constitutional material is 16

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- 1 SECTION 5. This amendment shall take effect upon
- 2 compliance with article XVII, section 3, of the Constitution of
- 3 the State of Hawaii.

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Report Title:

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Description:

Proposes a constitutional amendment to allow each gubernatorial nominee to appoint, following the primary election, a person from the same political party as a running mate for lieutenant governor in the general election.

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