THE SENATE THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE, 2019 STATE OF HAWAII

S.B. NO. 854

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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ORDER OF SUCCESSION.

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

SECTION 1. Section 26-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 1 2 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows: 3 When the office of lieutenant governor is vacant by "(a) 4 reason of the lieutenant governor's becoming governor, or the 5 lieutenant governor's failure to qualify, or the lieutenant governor's removal from office, death, resignation, or 6 7 otherwise, the powers and duties of the office of lieutenant 8 qovernor shall devolve upon the president of the senate; 9 provided that the president of the senate is of the same political party as the governor; or, if there is none or upon 10 11 the president's failure to resign promptly from all legislative 12 offices held by the president, then upon the speaker of the house of representatives; provided that the speaker of the house 13 14 of representatives is of the same political party as the governor; or if there is none or upon the speaker's failure to 15 16 resign promptly from all legislative offices held by the 17 speaker, then upon the attorney general, [the director of



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1	finance, the comptroller, the director of taxation, and the
2	director of human resources development in the order named;
3	provided that any officer upon whom the powers and duties of the
4	office of licutenant governor devolve may decline the powers and
5	duties without the officer's resignation from the office by
6	virtue of the holding of which the officer qualifies to act as
7	lieutenant governor, in which event the powers and duties will
8	devolve upon the next officer listed in the order of
9	succession.] then upon a person appointed by the governor who is
10	a member of the same political party as the governor and is
11	qualified to hold the office of lieutenant governor pursuant to
12	article V, section 2, of the Hawaii State Constitution."
13	SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
14	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
15	SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.
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Amends the order of succession to the office of lieutenant governor.

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