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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 RELATING TO THE
ELECTION OF 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 provide that candidates for the office of
4 lieutenant governor be formally nominated during official
5 political party conventions.

6 SECTION 2. Article 5, 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. Candidates for
11 lieutenant governor shall be nominated by a political party at
12 the political party's convention. The lieutenant governor shall
13 be elected at the same time, for the same term and in the same
14 manner as the governor; provided that the votes cast in the
15 general election for the nominee for governor shall be deemed
16 cast for the nominee for lieutenant governor of the same



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 candidates for the office of lieutenant governor be
 8 required to be nominated by a political party at the
 9 political party's convention?"

10 SECTION 4. New constitutional material is underscored.

11 SECTION 5. This amendment shall take effect upon
 12 compliance with article XVII, section 3, of the Constitution of
 13 the State of Hawaii.

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Report Title:

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Description:

Proposes an amendment to article V, section 2 of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii to provide that candidates for the office of lieutenant governor be formally selected by official political parties.

