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# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

#### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015

#### AN ACT

#### RELATING TO ELECTIONS - GENERAL STATE OFFICERS

Introduced By: Senator Walter S. Felag

Date Introduced: February 25, 2015

Referred To: Senate Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 17-2 of the General Laws entitled "General State Officers" is
- 2 hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:
- 3 <u>17-2-4.1. Vacancies in the office of lieutenant governor. If the office of lieutenant</u>
- 4 governor shall become vacant or shall have become vacant by reason of death, resignation or
- 5 otherwise, the general assembly in grand committee shall elect a person who would otherwise be
- 6 eligible to both run for the office and hold the office of lieutenant governor pursuant to the
- 7 constitution of the state of Rhode Island, to fill said vacancy.
- 8 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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#### EXPLANATION

## BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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- 1 This act would enable the general assembly in grand committee to fill a vacancy in the
- 2 office of the lieutenant governor.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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