HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION CC

December 3, 1997, Introduced by Rep. Schermesser and referred to the Committee on Local Government.

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution of 1963, by amending section 13 of article V to require a special election to fill a vacancy in the office of state senator or state representative under certain circumstances.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the state of Michigan, That the following amendment to the state constitution of 1963, to require a special election to fill a vacancy in the office of state senator or state representative under certain circumstances, is proposed, agreed to, and submitted to the people of the state:

- 1 ARTICLE V
- 2 Sec. 13. The governor shall issue writs of election to
- 3 fill vacancies in the senate or house of representatives. Any
- 4 such election shall be held in a manner prescribed by law. IF A
- 5 VACANCY OCCURS IN THE OFFICE OF STATE SENATOR OR REPRESENTATIVE,

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- 1 THE GOVERNOR SHALL CALL A SPECIAL ELECTION OR DIRECT THAT THE
- 2 VACANCY BE FILLED AT THE NEXT GENERAL ELECTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH
- ${f 3}$ THE REQUIREMENTS CONTAINED IN THE MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW, 1954
- 4 PA 116, MCL 168.1 TO 168.992.
- 5 Resolved further, That the foregoing amendment shall be sub-
- 6 mitted to the people of the state at the next general election in
- 7 the manner provided by law.

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