

**SENATE BILL No. 349**

By Senator Pyle

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1 AN ACT concerning the offices of the governor and lieutenant governor;  
2 relating to vacancies therein.

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4 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

5 Section 1. Any governor resigning from such office shall file a  
6 written notice of such resignation in the office of the secretary of state.  
7 Such notice of resignation shall state the effective date of the resignation.  
8 Upon receiving such notice of resignation, the secretary of state shall  
9 notify the lieutenant governor.

10 Sec. 2. Any lieutenant governor resigning from such office shall file a  
11 written notice of such resignation in the office of the secretary of state.  
12 Such notice of resignation shall state the effective date of the resignation.  
13 Upon receiving such notice of resignation, the secretary of state shall  
14 notify the governor.

15 Sec. 3. Whenever the office of lieutenant governor becomes vacant as  
16 a result of the death, permanent disability or resignation of the lieutenant  
17 governor, a successor shall be appointed by the governor, subject to  
18 confirmation by the senate as provided in K.S.A. 75-4315b, and  
19 amendments thereto. Except as provided by K.S.A. 46-2601, and  
20 amendments thereto, no person appointed as lieutenant governor pursuant  
21 to this section shall exercise any power, duty or function as lieutenant  
22 governor until confirmed by the senate.

23 Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
24 publication in the Kansas register.