

Regular Session, 2010

SENATE BILL NO. 370

BY SENATOR CLAITOR

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR. Prohibits a person appointed to fill a vacancy in the office of lieutenant governor when the unexpired term exceeds one year from being a candidate in the election to fill the remainder of the term. (gov sig)

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 18:584, relative to the office of lieutenant governor; to prohibit a person
3 appointed to the office of lieutenant governor when the unexpired term exceeds one
4 year from being a candidate in the subsequent election to fill the remainder of the
5 unexpired term; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 18:584 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 **§584. Election to fill vacancy in office of lieutenant governor; candidates**

9 **Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, including any**
10 **provision of R.S. 18:582, when a vacancy occurs in the office of lieutenant**
11 **governor and the unexpired term exceeds one year, no person who is appointed**
12 **to fill the vacancy and serves as lieutenant governor pursuant to Article IV,**
13 **Section 15 of the Constitution of Louisiana shall be eligible as a candidate in the**
14 **election to fill the remainder of the unexpired term.**

15 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
16 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
17 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If

1 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
2 effective on the day following such approval.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Alden A. Clement, Jr.

DIGEST

Proposed law prohibits a person appointed by the governor to fill a vacancy in the office of lieutenant governor pursuant to present constitution from being eligible as a candidate in the election provided for by present constitution to fill the remainder of the term.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 18:584)