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Commissioner Plymale moved the following:

CRC Amendment to Amendment (604040) (with ballot and title amendments)

Before line 138

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Section 5 of Article VI of the State Constitution is amended to read:

ARTICLE VI

SUFFRAGE AND ELECTIONS

SECTION 5. Primary, general, and special elections.-

(a) A general election shall be held in each county on the



first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of each evennumbered year to choose a successor to each elective state and county officer whose term will expire before the next general election and, except as provided herein, to fill each vacancy in elective office for the unexpired portion of the term. A general election may be suspended or delayed due to a state of emergency or impending emergency pursuant to general law. Special elections and referenda shall be held as provided by law.

(b) If all candidates for an office have the same party affiliation and the winner will have either no opposition in the general election, or opposition only from one or more write-in candidates, then all qualified electors, regardless of party affiliation, may vote in the primary elections for that office.

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Delete lines 159 - 168 and insert:

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CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE II, SECTION 8 ARTICLE V, SECTION 13 ARTICLE VI, SECTION 5

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ARTICLE XII, NEW SECTION

35 LOBBYING AND ABUSE OF OFFICE BY PUBLIC OFFICERS; PRIMARY 36 ELECTIONS.—The amendment expands restrictions on lobbying for compensation by former public officers; creates restrictions on 37 38 lobbying for compensation by currently serving public officers; 39 provides exceptions; prohibits certain abuses of public office

for personal benefit. The amendment also provides that all

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voters, regardless of party affiliation, may vote in a partisan primary election if winner of the primary election will face no opposition or only opposition from write-in candidate(s) in the general election.

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And the title is amended as follows:

Delete line 182

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> bodies and abuse of office and to amend Section 5 of Article VI of the State Constitution to authorize all qualified electors, regardless of party affiliation, to vote in a partisan primary election for an office if all the candidates for the office have the same party affiliation and the winner will be opposed only by one or more write-in candidates in the general election.