

SENATE AMENDMENTS TO A-ENGROSSED HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 7

By COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AND MILITARY AFFAIRS

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1 On page 2 of the printed A-engrossed joint resolution, delete lines 39 through 44 and insert:

2 “(4) Notwithstanding section 25, Article IV of this Constitution, during any period of time when
3 members of the Legislative Assembly are unable to compel the attendance of two-thirds of the
4 members of each house because the catastrophic disaster has made it impossible to locate members
5 or impossible for them to attend, three-fifths of the members of each house who are able to attend
6 a session described in subsection (3) of this section shall be necessary to pass every bill or joint
7 resolution.”.

8 On page 3, delete lines 34 through 45 and insert:

9 **“SECTION 6. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, the provisions of**
10 **sections 1 to 5 of this Article, once invoked, shall cease to be operative not later than 30 days**
11 **following the date the Governor invoked the provisions of sections 1 to 5 of this Article, or**
12 **on an earlier date recommended by the Governor and determined by the Legislative Assem-**
13 **ble. The Governor may not recommend a date under this subsection unless the Governor**
14 **finds and declares that the immediate response to the catastrophic disaster has ended.**

15 **“(2) Prior to expiration of the 30-day limit established in subsection (1) of this section,**
16 **the Legislative Assembly may extend the operation of sections 1 to 5 of this Article beyond**
17 **the 30-day limit upon the approval of three-fifths of the members of each house who are able**
18 **to attend a session described in subsection (3) of section 3 of this Article.**

19 **“(3) The determination by the Legislative Assembly required by subsection (1) of this**
20 **section or an extension described in subsection (2) of this section shall take the form of a**
21 **bill. A bill that extends the operation of sections 1 to 5 of this Article shall establish a date**
22 **upon which the provisions of sections 1 to 5 of this Article shall cease to be operative. A bill**
23 **described in this subsection shall be presented to the Governor for action in accordance with**
24 **section 15b, Article V of this Constitution.**

25 **“(4) A bill described in subsection (3) of this section may include any provisions the**
26 **Legislative Assembly considers necessary to provide an orderly transition to compliance with**
27 **the requirements of this Constitution that have been overridden under this Article because**
28 **of the Governor’s declaration of a catastrophic disaster.**

29 **“(5) The Governor may not invoke the provisions of sections 1 to 5 of this Article more**
30 **than one time with respect to the same catastrophic disaster. A determination under sub-**
31 **section (1) of this section or an extension described in subsection (2) of this section that es-**
32 **tablishes a date upon which the provisions of sections 1 to 5 of this Article shall cease to be**
33 **operative does not prevent invoking the provisions of sections 1 to 5 of this Article in re-**
34 **sponse to a new declaration by the Governor that a different catastrophic disaster has oc-**
35 **curred.”.**

1 On page 4, delete lines 1 through 3.

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