

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF
CHESAPEAKE**

Whereas, currently the Lieutenant Governor of the Chesapeake serves little to no role aside from waiting for the Governor's office to fall vacant

Whereas, it is necessary we reform the Lieutenant Governor's office to give them a more fitting role

(I) Short Title

(a) This legislation shall be known as "The Lieutenant Governor Reform Amendment."

(II) Expansion of Article IV

(a) The following shall be added at the end of Article IV of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Chesapeake.

(i) "6. In the event a Cabinet position falls vacant, the Lieutenant Governor shall retain that Cabinet position's powers until a new Cabinet official is confirmed by the Assembly.

a. The Attorney General for the purposes of this Amendment is not considered a Cabinet position.

7. Any legislation not acted on by the Governor for one week after having been passed by the Assembly shall be passed onto the Lieutenant Governor for their signature, veto, or abstention.

a. If the Lieutenant Governor of the Commonwealth abstains on legislation, that legislation will become law without their signature.

b. Any bill that has had a tie broken by the Lieutenant Governor cannot be passed onto the Lieutenant Governor to be acted upon and shall be treated as though the Governor abstained.

c. If the Lieutenant Governor does not act on said legislation within one week it shall be treated as though they abstained.

8. The Lieutenant Governor shall assume all the powers of the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

a. The Cabinet position of Secretary of the Commonwealth is abolished."

(III) Enactment

(a) This Amendment shall go into effect immediately after passage

(b) This Amendment is severable. If any portion of this act is found to be unconstitutional, the remainder shall remain as law.