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Overview

The bill modifies the procedures for filling vacant United States Senate seats.

Section

- 1** **Special elections.** Modifies the procedure for filling a United States Senate vacancy by conforming it to the procedure applicable to members of Congress and state legislators. Vacant seats are to be filled through a special election, called by the governor.
- 2** **Repealer.** Repeals section 204D.28, which establishes the procedure for filling vacancies in the United States Senate. Currently, vacancies are to be filled at a special election, held in conjunction with the next regularly scheduled November election, and the governor may make a temporary appointment to fill a vacancy until a special election is held.