[No. 7]
[Approved, July 24, 1952]

AN ACT

TO PROVIDE THE ORDER OF SUCCESSION TO AND SUBSTITUTION FOR THE OFFICE OF GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO, AND TO REPEAL ACT No. 8 OF SEPTEMBER 11, 1948.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Puerto Rico:

Section 1.—When a vacancy occurs in the office of Governor of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico caused by death, resignation, removal, total and permanent incapacity, or any other absolute disability, said office shall devolve upon the Secretary of State, who shall hold it for the rest of the term and until a new Governor is elected and qualifies. In the event that vacancies exist at the same time in both the office of the Governor and that of Secretary of State, the order of succession under this section shall be as follows:

1. Secretary of Justice
2. Secretary of the Treasury
3. Secretary of Education
4. Secretary of Labor
5. Secretary of Public Works

Section 2.—When for any cause which originates absence of a temporary character the Governor is temporarily unable to perform his functions, he shall be substituted, for the duration of the absence, by the Secretary of State. If for any reason the Secretary of State is unable to discharge the office, the order set forth in the preceding section shall be followed.

Section 3.—Act No. 8 of September 11, 1948, is hereby repealed.

Section 4.—This Act, being of an urgent and necessary character, shall take effect as soon as the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico shall become operative.

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AN ACT

TO PROVIDE THE PROCEDURE FOR THE PROMULGATION OF THE LAWS, JOINT RESOLUTIONS AND OTHER OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS: TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE PUBLICATION THEREOF, AND TO REPEAL SECTION 45 OF THE POLITICAL CODE OF PUERTO RICO.