

1-Day Delay In Sentencing Of Reinecke

Washington

The sentencing of California Lieutenant Governor Ed Reinecke has been postponed for one day, from next Wednesday to Thursday.

The order yesterday of U.S. District Judge Barrington Parker was interpreted here as a move to prevent a Democrat from being named to Reinecke's post, should the judge in fact sentence him.

Governor Ronald Reagan is scheduled to be absent from the state on Wednesday, and in his and Reinecke's absence, the acting governor will be state Senate President Pro tem James R. Mills, of San Diego, a Democrat.

Reinecke was convicted earlier this year of lying to the Senate Judiciary Committee. California Attorney General Evelle J. Younger later issued an opinion holding that Reinecke could remain in office until he was actually sentenced.

Judge Parker's postponement of the action on sentencing, and on defense pleas for a motion to dismiss, assures that Reagan will be back in California at the time, and thus Mills could not name a Democrat to Reinecke's job should Reinecke be sentenced.

Meanwhile, a bill aimed at cutting off Reinecke's state pension was introduced by a Democratic assemblyman in Sacramento yesterday, and a second Assembly Democrat announced he will seek Reinecke's impeachment.

The measure to cut off Reinecke's pension is contained in one of 13 bills introduced in the special legislative session to repeal early pensions for state legislators.

The bill by Assemblyman Louis Papan (Dem-Daly City), would also repeal pensions for any legislator or state officer convicted of a felony, and refund the convicted felon's payments into the plan.

Assemblyman Richard Alatorre (Dem-Los Angeles) said he will submit a resolution when the Legislature reconvenes next Monday calling for Reinecke's impeachment.

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