

General Assembly

Substitute Joint Resolution No. 28

January Session, 2019

RESOLUTION PROPOSING A STATE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO ALLOW INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE ATTAINED THE AGE OF SIXTEEN TO APPLY FOR ADMISSION AS ELECTORS AND TO BE SO ADMITTED UPON ATTAINING THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN.

Resolved by this Assembly:

Section 1. That the following be proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State, which, when approved and adopted in the manner provided by the Constitution, shall, to all intents and purposes, become a part thereof:

5 Article thirty-first of the amendments to the Constitution is 6 amended to read as follows:

7 Any citizen who [will have] has attained the age of [eighteen] 8 sixteen years [on or before the day of a regular election] may apply for 9 admission as an elector at such times and in such manner as may be prescribed by law, and, if qualified, shall become an elector on the day 10 of his or her eighteenth birthday. Any citizen who has not yet attained 11 12 the age of eighteen years but who will have attained the age of 13 eighteen years on or before the day of a regular election, who is 14 otherwise qualified to be an elector and who has applied for admission 15 as an elector in such manner as may be prescribed by law, may vote in 16 any primary election, in such manner as may be prescribed by law, 17 held for such regular election.

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18 RESOLVED: That the foregoing proposed amendment to the 19 Constitution be continued to the next session of the General Assembly 20 elected at the general election to be held on November 3, 2020, and 21 published with the laws passed at the present session, or be presented 22 to the electors at the general election to be held on November 3, 2020, 23 whichever the case may be, according to article sixth of the 24 amendments to the Constitution. The designation of said proposed 25 amendment to be used on the ballots at such election shall be "Shall the 26 Constitution of the State be amended to allow any citizen to apply for 27 admission as an elector, when he or she attains the age of sixteen years, 28 for the purpose of being admitted as an elector on his or her eighteenth 29 birthday?"

Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

The title was changed.

GAE Joint Favorable Subst. -LCO