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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 132

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE KIDD.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

JOINT RESOLUTION

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri an amendment repealing Sections 2(b) and 3(c) of Article XII of the Constitution of Missouri, and adopting two new sections in lieu thereof relating to constitutional amendments.

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring therein:

That at the next general election to be held in the state of Missouri, on Tuesday next following the first Monday in November, 2022, or at a special election to be called by the governor for that purpose, there is hereby submitted to the qualified voters of this state, for adoption or rejection, the following amendment to Article XII of the Constitution of the state of Missouri: Section A. Sections 2(b) and 3(c), Article XII, Constitution of Missouri, are repealed

2 and two new sections adopted in lieu thereof, to be known as Sections 2(b) and 3(c), to read 3 as follows:

Section 2(b). All amendments proposed by the general assembly or by the initiative shall be submitted to the electors for their approval or rejection by official ballot title as may be provided by law, on a separate ballot without party designation, at the next general election, or at a special election called by the governor prior thereto, at which he may submit any of the amendments. No such proposed amendment shall contain more than one amended and revised article of this constitution, or one new article which shall not contain more than 7 one subject and matters properly connected therewith. If possible, each proposed amendment

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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shall be published once a week for two consecutive weeks in two newspapers of different 8 political faith in each county, the last publication to be not more than thirty nor less than 9 10 fifteen days next preceding the election. If there be but one newspaper in any county, publication for four consecutive weeks shall be made. Notwithstanding the provisions of 11 12 Article III, Section 51 of this constitution, if a majority of the votes cast thereon statewide and also a majority of votes cast thereon in each of more than half of the state house of 13 14 representatives districts is in favor of any amendment, the same shall take effect at the end 15 of thirty days after the election. More than one amendment at the same election shall be so submitted as to enable the electors to vote on each amendment separately. 16

Section 3(c). Any proposed constitution or constitutional amendment adopted by the 2 convention shall be submitted to a vote of the electors of the state at such time, in such manner and containing such separate and alternative propositions and on such official ballot 3 4 as may be provided by the convention, at a special election not less than sixty days nor more than six months after the adjournment of the convention. Notwithstanding Article III, 5 6 Section 51 of this constitution, upon the approval of the constitution or constitutional 7 amendments by a majority of the votes cast thereon statewide and also a majority of votes cast thereon in each of more than half of the state house of representatives 8 9 districts, the same shall take effect at the end of thirty days after the election. The result of the election shall be proclaimed by the governor. 10

Section B. Pursuant to chapter 116, and other applicable constitutional provisions and 2 laws of this state allowing the general assembly to adopt ballot language for the submission of 3 this joint resolution to the voters of this state, the official summary statement of this 4 resolution shall be as follows:

5 "Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to require amendments to the 6 Constitution or the adoption of a new constitution, whether proposed by the General 7 Assembly, constitutional convention, or initiative, be approved by both a majority of voters

8 statewide and also a majority of voters in more than half the state house districts?".