FIRST REGULAR SESSION HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 30

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

1382H.02C

DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

JOINT RESOLUTION

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri an amendment repealing Section 2(b) of Article XII of the Constitution of Missouri, and adopting one new section 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, 2024, 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Section A. Section 2(b), Article XII, Constitution of Missouri, is repealed and one 2 new section adopted in lieu thereof, to be known as Section 2(b), to read as follows:

Section 2(b). All amendments proposed by the general assembly or by the initiative 2 shall be submitted to the electors for their approval or rejection by official ballot title as may 3 be provided by law, on a separate ballot without party designation, at the next general 4 election, or at a special election called by the governor prior thereto, at which he may submit 5 any of the amendments. No such proposed amendment shall contain more than one amended 6 and revised article of this constitution, or one new article which shall not contain more than one subject and matters properly connected therewith. If possible, each proposed amendment 7 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 fifteen days next preceding the election. If there be but one newspaper in any county, 10 11 publication for four consecutive weeks shall be made. Notwithstanding the provisions of

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.

HCS HJR 30

12 Article III of this Constitution, if a majority of the votes cast thereon both statewide and in

13 a majority of the state house of representatives districts is in favor of any amendment, the

14 same shall take effect at the end of thirty days after the election. More than one amendment at

15 the same election shall be so submitted as to enable the electors to vote on each amendment

16 separately. Only voters who are both citizens of the United States and residents of the

17 state of Missouri shall be eligible to vote on constitutional amendments.

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

- 5 "Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to:
- 6 Allow that only citizens of the United States who are residents of Missouri may vote
- 7 on any change to the state constitution; and
- 8 Require amendments to the constitution be approved by a majority of votes statewide
- 9 and a majority of votes in more than half the state house districts?".

 \checkmark