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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 13

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary

JOINT RESOLUTION

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri, an amendment repealing sections 50 and 51 of article III of the Constitution of Missouri, and adopting two new sections in lieu thereof relating to the initiative petition process.

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

That at the next general election to be held in the
2 state of Missouri, on Tuesday next following the first Monday
3 in November, 2022, or at a special election to be called by
4 the governor for that purpose, there is hereby submitted to
5 the qualified voters of this state, for adoption or
6 rejection, the following amendment to article III of the
7 Constitution of the state of Missouri:

Section A. Sections 50 and 51, article III, Constitution
2 of Missouri, are repealed and two new sections adopted in lieu
3 thereof, to be known as sections 50 and 51, to read as follows:

Section 50. **1.** Initiative petitions proposing
2 amendments to the constitution shall be signed by eight
3 percent of the legal voters in each of [two-thirds of] the
4 [congressional] **state senate** districts in the state, and
5 petitions proposing laws shall be signed by five percent of
6 [such] **the legal voters in each of two-thirds of the**
7 **congressional districts in the state.** Every such petition
8 shall be filed with the secretary of state not less than six
9 months before the election and shall contain an enacting
10 clause and the full text of the measure. Petitions for

EXPLANATION-Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

11 constitutional amendments shall not contain more than one
12 amended and revised article of this constitution, or one new
13 article which shall not contain more than one subject and
14 matters properly connected therewith, and the enacting
15 clause thereof shall be "Be it resolved by the people of the
16 state of Missouri that the Constitution be amended:". Petitions
17 for laws shall contain not more than one subject
18 which shall be expressed clearly in the title, and the
19 enacting clause thereof shall be "Be it enacted by the
20 people of the state of Missouri:".

21 **2. Notwithstanding section 2(b) of article XII of this**
22 **constitution to the contrary, any initiative petition**
23 **proposing an amendment to the constitution shall take effect**
24 **at the end of thirty days after the election when approved**
25 **by at least a two-thirds majority of the votes cast thereon,**
26 **provided that for any initiative petition seeking to amend**
27 **an amendment to the constitution that was approved prior to**
28 **December 8, 2022, such an initiative petition shall take**
29 **effect when approved by a majority of the votes cast thereon**
30 **only if it is for the sole purpose of repealing the approved**
31 **amendment, without any additional modifications or new**
32 **language.**

33 **3. Any initiative petition proposing laws shall take**
34 **effect when approved by at least a majority of the votes**
35 **cast thereon.**

Section 51. The initiative shall not be used for the
2 appropriation of money other than of new revenues created
3 and provided for thereby, or for any other purpose
4 prohibited by this constitution. [Except as provided in
5 this constitution, any measure proposed shall take effect
6 when approved by a majority of the votes cast thereon.]

7 When conflicting measures are approved at the same election
8 the one receiving the largest affirmative vote shall prevail.

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