

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 58th Legislature (2021)

3 HOUSE JOINT
4 RESOLUTION 1008

By: Newton

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7 AS INTRODUCED

8 A Joint Resolution directing the Secretary of State
9 to refer to the people for their approval or
10 rejection a proposed amendment to Section 1 of
11 Article XXIV of the Constitution of the State of
12 Oklahoma; requiring certain majority vote to pass
13 constitutional amendments; providing ballot title;
14 and directing filing.

15 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE OF THE
16 1ST SESSION OF THE 58TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

17 SECTION 1. The Secretary of State shall refer to the people for
18 their approval or rejection, as and in the manner provided by law,
19 the following proposed amendment to Section 1 of Article XXIV of the
20 Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

21 Section 1. Any amendment or amendments to this Constitution may
22 be proposed in either branch of the Legislature, and if the same
23 shall be agreed to by a majority of all the members elected to each
24 of the two (2) houses, such proposed amendment or amendments shall,
with the yeas and nays thereon, be entered in their journals and

1 referred by the Secretary of State to the people for their approval
2 or rejection, at the next regular general election, except when the
3 Legislature, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of each house, shall order a
4 special election for that purpose. If a fifty-five-percent majority
5 of all the electors voting on any proposed amendment at such
6 election shall vote in favor thereof, it shall thereby become a part
7 of this Constitution; provided, an amendment that only repeals a
8 provision or provisions of the Constitution shall take effect when
9 it has been approved by a majority of all electors voting.

10 No proposal for the amendment or alteration of this Constitution
11 which is submitted to the voters shall embrace more than one general
12 subject and the voters shall vote separately for or against each
13 proposal submitted; provided, however, that in the submission of
14 proposals for the amendment of this Constitution by articles, which
15 embrace one general subject, each proposed article shall be deemed a
16 single proposal or proposition.

17 SECTION 2. The Ballot Title for the proposed Constitutional
18 amendment as set forth in SECTION 1 of this resolution shall be in
19 the following form:

20 BALLOT TITLE
21 Legislative Referendum No. _____ State Question No. _____

22 THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

23 This measure amends Section 1 of Article 24 of the Oklahoma
24 Constitution. It requires a fifty-five percent (55%) majority

1 vote of the people to pass an amendment to the Constitution
2 proposed by the Legislature. It requires a majority vote to
3 repeal provisions of the Constitution.

4 SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?

5 FOR THE PROPOSAL - YES _____

6 AGAINST THE PROPOSAL - NO _____

7 SECTION 3. The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall,
8 immediately after the passage of this resolution, prepare and file
9 one copy thereof, including the Ballot Title set forth in SECTION 2
10 hereof, with the Secretary of State and one copy with the Attorney
11 General.

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