

1                   **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2                                   STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3                                   1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2015)

4 HOUSE JOINT  
5 RESOLUTION 1019

By: Banz of the House

and

Justice of the Senate

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11           A Joint Resolution directing the Secretary of State  
12           to refer to the people for their approval or  
13           rejection a proposed amendment to the Constitution of  
14           the State of Oklahoma by adding a new Section 3.1 to  
15           Article VI of the Constitution of the State of  
16           Oklahoma; providing for the Governor and Lieutenant  
17           Governor to be elected jointly; authorizing the  
18           Legislature to enact procedure; providing ballot  
19           title; and directing filing.

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE OF THE  
1ST SESSION OF THE 55TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

SECTION 1. The Secretary of State shall refer to the people for  
their approval or rejection, as and in the manner provided by law,  
the following proposed amendment to the Constitution of the State of  
Oklahoma by adding a new Section 3.1 to Article VI, to read as  
follows:

1 Section 3.1 Beginning with the General Election held in 2018  
2 and in each General Election for Governor and Lieutenant Governor  
3 held thereafter, one vote shall be cast for the candidates for those  
4 positions of the same political party. The Legislature, by law,  
5 shall provide the procedure for the joint nomination and election of  
6 candidates for Governor and Lieutenant Governor.

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

10 BALLOT TITLE

11 Legislative Referendum No. \_\_\_\_\_ State Question No. \_\_\_\_\_

12 THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

13 This measure amends the Oklahoma Constitution. It adds a  
14 new Section 3.1 to Article 6. It deals with the Offices of  
15 Governor and Lieutenant Governor. It would provide that a  
16 voter would cast one vote for both of these offices. The  
17 persons running for these offices would run as a team. The  
18 procedure for the joint nomination and election of  
19 candidates for those offices would be set by law. This  
20 would begin in 2018.

21 SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?

22 FOR THE PROPOSAL — YES \_\_\_\_\_

23 AGAINST THE PROPOSAL — NO \_\_\_\_\_

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1 SECTION 3. The Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives,  
2 immediately after the passage of this resolution, shall prepare and  
3 file one copy thereof, including the Ballot Title set forth in  
4 SECTION 2 hereof, with the Secretary of State and one copy with the  
5 Attorney General.

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7 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON RULES, dated 02/18/2015 - DO PASS,  
8 As Coauthored.

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