

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

3 SENATE JOINT
4 RESOLUTION 25

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Joint Resolution making an application to the
8 United States Congress to call a convention of the
9 states under Article V of the United States
10 Constitution for the purpose of proposing an
11 amendment to the United States Constitution related
12 to proposing requirements for voting procedures for
13 the states; providing for construction of
14 applications; directing transmission; and specifying
15 that applications constitute continuing application.

16 WHEREAS, the founders of the Constitution of the United States,
17 through the enactment of Article V, empowered state legislators to
18 be guardians of liberty against future abuses of power by the
19 federal government; and

20 WHEREAS, the federal government has ceased to live under a
21 proper interpretation of the Constitution of the United States; and

22 WHEREAS, it is the solemn duty of the states to protect the
23 liberty of our people, particularly for the generations to come, by
24 proposing amendments to the Constitution of the United States
25 through a convention of the states under Article V of the United

1 States Constitution to place clear restraints on these and related
2 abuses of power; and

3 WHEREAS, the citizens of the State of Oklahoma believe that it
4 is in the best interest of the people of the United States to amend
5 the United States Constitution in order to adopt an amendment to
6 specify voting requirements for all eligible voters in conducting
7 elections; and

8 WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Article V of the
9 Constitution of the United States, each state may request Congress
10 to provide for a convention to propose an amendment.

11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF
12 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 58TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

13 THAT the Legislature of the State of Oklahoma hereby applies to
14 Congress, under the provisions of Article V of the Constitution of
15 the United States, for the calling of a convention of the states
16 limited to proposing an amendment to the United States Constitution
17 that impose requirements for voting procedures for all states.

18 THAT the requirements for voting procedures for all states shall
19 include: proof of identification for each person casting a vote in
20 any federal election in the United States; ballots be restricted for
21 use by United States citizens and only that citizen can obtain and
22 use the issued ballot; an absentee ballot can only be delivered to
23 an eligible voter when a request is notarized or witnessed by two
24 other eligible voters that are unrelated to the requestor;

1 prohibiting another person from handling or marking a ballot of an
2 eligible voter unless the eligible voter made a lawful request to
3 authorize a caregiver because of incapacity or disability of the
4 eligible voter.

5 THAT penalties will be imposed for violations of the
6 requirements for voting procedures of the states by making it
7 unlawful for any person, association, corporation, political party
8 or any other kind of entity to violate any of the provisions or
9 portion of a provision of the amendment and such person,
10 association, corporation, political party or any other kind of
11 entity shall be guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for a
12 minimum of five (5) years and will be prohibited from voting or
13 participating in any election in the United States for life.

14 THAT this application shall be deemed an application for a
15 convention to address each or all of the subjects herein stated.
16 For the purposes of determining whether two-thirds of the states
17 have applied for a convention addressing any of the subjects stated
18 herein, this application is to be aggregated with the applications
19 of any other state legislatures for the single subjects of providing
20 requirements for voting procedures.

21 THAT the Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to transmit
22 copies of this application to the President and Secretary of the
23 United States Senate and to the Speaker and Clerk of the United
24 States House of Representatives, to transmit copies to the members

1 of the United States Senate and United States House of
2 Representatives from this state, and to transmit copies hereof to
3 the presiding officers of each of the legislative houses in the
4 several states, requesting their cooperation.

5 THAT this application constitutes a continuing application in
6 accordance with Article V of the Constitution of the United States
7 until the legislatures of at least two-thirds of the several states
8 have made applications on the same subject.

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