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3 SENATE JOINT
4 RESOLUTION 28

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Joint Resolution directing the Secretary of State
8 to refer to the people for their approval or
9 rejection a proposed amendment to Section 10 of
10 Article X of the Oklahoma Constitution; expanding
11 authorized use of certain ad valorem levy to certain
12 operations; conforming language; defining term;
13 providing ballot title; and directing filing.

14 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
15 1ST SESSION OF THE 56TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

16 SECTION 1. The Secretary of State shall refer to the people for
17 their approval or rejection, as and in the manner provided by law,
18 the following proposed amendment to Section 10 of Article X of the
19 Oklahoma Constitution to read as follows:

20 Section 10. A. For the purpose of erecting public buildings in
21 counties or cities, or for the purpose of raising money for a
22 building and operations fund for a school district which may be used
23 for erecting, remodeling or repairing school buildings, ~~and~~ for
24 purchasing furniture or for operations as deemed necessary by a
school district, the rates of taxation herein limited may be
increased, when the rate of such increase and the purpose for which

1 it is intended shall have been submitted to a vote of the people,
2 and a majority of the qualified voters of such county, city, or
3 school district, voting at such election, shall vote therefor:
4 Provided, that such increase shall not exceed five (5) mills on the
5 dollar of the assessed value of the taxable property in such county,
6 city, or school district.

7 B. A school district may upon approval by a majority of the
8 electors of the district voting on the question make the ad valorem
9 levy for a building and operations fund under subsection A of this
10 section permanent. If the question is approved, the levy in the
11 amount approved as required by this section, shall be made each
12 fiscal year thereafter until such time as a majority of the electors
13 of the district voting on the question rescind the making of the
14 levy permanent. An election on such question shall be held at such
15 time as a petition is signed by ten percent (10%) of the school
16 district electors or a recommendation by the board of education of
17 the school district is made asking that the levies be made each
18 fiscal year.

19 C. For purposes of this section, the term "school district"
20 shall include a technology center school district, pursuant to
21 subsection B of Section 9B of Article X of this Constitution.

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

BALLOT TITLE

Legislative Referendum No. _____ State Question No. _____

THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

This measure amends Section 10 of Article 10 of the Oklahoma Constitution. It expands the uses permitted for certain ad valorem taxes levied by a school district. Currently, tax revenue is placed in a building fund. The fund is changed to allow use for operations. The operations would be those deemed necessary by a school district. The meaning of school district is clarified. It would include technology center school districts. They are considered school districts in other provisions.

SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?

FOR THE PROPOSAL - YES _____

AGAINST THE PROPOSAL - NO _____

SECTION 3. The President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall, immediately after the passage of this resolution, prepare and file one copy thereof, including the Ballot Title set forth in SECTION 2 hereof, with the Secretary of State and one copy with the Attorney General.

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