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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 8215

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By Senators Padden, O'Ban, and Roach

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1            BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
2 STATE OF WASHINGTON, IN LEGISLATIVE SESSION ASSEMBLED:

3            THAT, At the next general election to be held in this state the  
4 secretary of state shall submit to the qualified voters of the state  
5 for their approval and ratification, or rejection, an amendment to  
6 Article IV, section 17 of the Constitution of the state of Washington  
7 to read as follows:

8            Article IV, section 17. No person shall be eligible to the office  
9 of judge of the supreme court, or judge of a superior court, unless he  
10 or she shall have been admitted to practice in the courts of record of  
11 this state, or of the Territory of Washington. No person shall be  
12 elected or appointed to the office of judge of the superior court  
13 unless he or she is a qualified voter in a county served by that  
14 superior court. The legislature shall have the power to enforce, by  
15 appropriate legislation, the provisions of this section.

16            BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the secretary of state shall cause  
17 notice of this constitutional amendment to be published at least four

1 times during the four weeks next preceding the election in every legal  
2 newspaper in the state.

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