SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. SJ0005

Homeowners bill of rights.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Bouchard, Biteman, Boner and James and Representative(s) Duncan, Henderson and Miller

A JOINT RESOLUTION

for

- 1 A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing to amend the Wyoming
- 2 Constitution to require voter approval before any mill levy,
- 3 property tax assessment percentage, tax on real estate
- 4 transactions or tax on real estate services can be imposed or
- 5 increased.

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- 7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING,
- 8 two-thirds of all the members of the two houses, voting
- 9 separately, concurring therein:

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- 11 **Section 1.** The following proposal to amend Wyoming
- 12 Constitution, Article 15, Section 11(b) and by creating a new
- 13 subsection (e) is proposed for submission to the electors of
- 14 the State of Wyoming at the next general election for approval

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1 or rejection to become valid as a part of the Constitution if

2 ratified by a majority of the electors at the election:

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4 Article 15, Section 11. Uniformity of assessment 5 required; homeowners bill of rights.

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7 (b) The legislature shall prescribe the percentage of 8 value which shall be assessed within each designated class, subject to subsection (e) of this section. All taxable 9 10 property shall be valued at its full value as defined by the 11 legislature except agricultural and grazing lands which shall be valued according to the capability of the land to produce 12 13 agricultural products under normal conditions. The percentage 14 of value prescribed for industrial property shall not be more 15 than forty percent (40%) higher nor more than four (4) percentage points more than the percentage prescribed for 16 17 property other than minerals.

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(e) No mill levy, property tax assessment percentage, tax on real estate transactions or tax on real estate services shall be imposed or increased until the proposition to impose or increase the mill levy, assessment percentage or tax is submitted to the vote of the qualified electors of the state,

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1 city, town, county or other political subdivision seeking to

2 impose or increase the mill levy, assessment percentage or

3 tax, and a majority of those casting their ballots vote in

4 favor of imposing or increasing the mill levy, assessment

5 percentage or tax. This subsection shall not limit mills

6 levied under section 4, 5, 6, 15 or 17 of this article.

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8 **Section 2.** That the Secretary of State shall endorse

9 the following statement on the proposed amendment:

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11 This amendment would require voter approval before any mill

12 levy, property tax assessment percentage, tax on real estate

13 transactions or tax on real estate services can be imposed or

14 increased.

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