



General Assembly

***Substitute House Joint  
Resolution No. 58***

*January Session, 2021*



***RESOLUTION PROPOSING A STATE CONSTITUTIONAL  
AMENDMENT TO ALLOW NO-EXCUSE ABSENTEE VOTING.***

Resolved by this Assembly:

1 Section 1. That the following be proposed as an amendment to the  
2 Constitution of the State, which, when approved and adopted in the  
3 manner provided by the Constitution, shall, to all intents and purposes,  
4 become a part thereof:

5 Section 7 of article sixth of the Constitution is amended to read as  
6 follows:

7 Sec. 7. The general assembly may provide by law for voting in the  
8 choice of any officer to be elected or upon any question to be voted on  
9 at an election by qualified voters of the state who [are unable to] will not  
10 appear at the polling place on the day of election. [because of absence  
11 from the city or town of which they are inhabitants or because of  
12 sickness or physical disability or because the tenets of their religion  
13 forbid secular activity.]

14 RESOLVED: That the foregoing proposed amendment to the  
15 Constitution be continued to the next session of the General Assembly  
16 elected at the general election to be held on November 8, 2022, and  
17 published with the laws passed at the present session, or be presented

18 to the electors at the general election to be held on November 8, 2022,  
19 whichever the case may be, according to article sixth of the amendments  
20 to the Constitution. The designation of said proposed amendment to be  
21 used on the ballots at such election shall be "Shall the Constitution of the  
22 State be amended to permit the General Assembly to allow each voter  
23 to vote by absentee ballot?"

**Statement of Legislative Commissioners:**

"November 3, 2022" was changed to "November 8, 2022" for accuracy.

**GAE**      *Joint Favorable Subst.*