IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2

BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

A JOINT RESOLUTION

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION 8, ARTICLE III, OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, RELATING TO SESSIONS OF THE LEGISLATURE, TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR SESSIONS OF THE LEGISLATURE SHALL BE HELD ANNUALLY AT THE CAPITAL OF THE STATE, COMMENCING ON THE SECOND MONDAY OF JANUARY OF EACH YEAR, UNLESS A DIFFERENT DAY SHALL HAVE BEEN APPOINTED BY LAW, AND SPECIAL SESSIONS AT OTHER TIMES WHEN CONVENED BY THE GOVERNOR AND TO PROVIDE NO REGULAR SESSION OF THE LEGISLATURE SHALL EXCEED NINETY CALENDAR DAYS IN LENGTH; STATING THE QUESTION TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE ELECTORATE; DIRECTING THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL TO PREPARE THE STATEMENTS REQUIRED BY LAW AND DIRECTING THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO PUBLISH THE AMENDMENT AND ARGUMENTS AS REQUIRED BY LAW.

13 Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Section 8, Article III, of the Constitution of the State of Idaho be amended to read as follows:

SECTION 8. SESSIONS OF LEGISLATURE. The <u>regular</u> sessions of the legislature shall be held annually at the capital of the state, commencing on the second Monday of January of each year, unless a different day shall have been appointed by law, and <u>special sessions</u> at other times when convened by the governor. <u>No regular session of the legislature shall exceed ninety calendar days in length.</u>

SECTION 2. The question to be submitted to the electors of the State of Idaho at the next general election shall be as follows:

"Shall Section 8, Article III, of the Constitution of the State of Idaho be amended to provide that regular sessions of the Legislature shall be held annually at the Capital of the State, commencing on the second Monday of January of each year, unless a different day shall have been appointed by law, and special sessions at other times when convened by the Governor and to provide no regular session of the Legislature shall exceed ninety calendar days in length?".

SECTION 3. The Legislative Council is directed to prepare the statements required by Section 67-453, Idaho Code, and file the same.

SECTION 4. The Secretary of State is hereby directed to publish this proposed constitutional amendment and arguments as required by law.