

**As Introduced**

**131st General Assembly  
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**H. J. R. No. 11**

**Representatives Amstutz, Curtin**

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**A JOINT RESOLUTION**

Proposing to amend Section 2 and to repeal Sections 7, 8, 1  
9, 10, and 11 of Article VIII of the Constitution of 2  
the State of Ohio to adopt the recommendation of the 3  
Ohio Constitutional Modernization Commission that 4  
certain provisions concerning the sinking fund and the 5  
Sinking Fund Commission be eliminated. 6

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of 7  
Ohio, three-fifths of the members elected to each house 8  
concurring herein, that there shall be submitted to the electors 9  
of the state, in the manner prescribed by law at the general 10  
election to be held on November 7, 2017, a proposal to amend 11  
Section 2 and to repeal Sections 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11 of Article 12  
VIII of the Constitution of the State of Ohio to read as 13  
follows: 14

**ARTICLE VIII** 15

**Section 2.** In addition to the above limited power, the 16  
State may contract debts to repel invasion, suppress 17  
insurrection, defend the State in war, or to redeem the present 18  
outstanding indebtedness of the State: but the money, arising 19  
from the contracting of such debts, shall be applied to the 20  
purpose for which it was raised, or to repay such debts, and to 21

no other purpose whatever; and all debts, incurred to redeem the 22  
present outstanding indebtedness of the State, shall be so 23  
contracted as to be payable by the ~~sinking fund, hereinafter~~ 24  
~~provided for~~ State, as the same shall accumulate. 25

EFFECTIVE DATE AND REPEAL 26

If adopted by a majority of the electors voting on this 27  
proposal: 28

(A) The amendment of Section 2 of Article VIII of the 29  
Constitution of the State of Ohio shall take effect immediately, 30  
and existing Section 2 of Article VIII of the Constitution of 31  
the State of Ohio shall be repealed from such effective date. 32

(B) Sections 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11 of Article VIII of the 33  
Constitution of the State of Ohio are repealed effective 34  
immediately. 35