

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 58th Legislature (2021)

3 HOUSE JOINT  
4 RESOLUTION 1034

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7 AS INTRODUCED

8 A Joint Resolution directing the Secretary of State  
9 to refer to the people for their approval or  
10 rejection a proposed amendment to Section 3 of  
11 Article V of the Constitution of the State of  
12 Oklahoma; requiring certain vote of legal voters to  
13 pass constitutional amendments; providing ballot  
14 title; and directing filing.

15 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE OF THE  
16 1ST SESSION OF THE 58TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

17 SECTION 1. The Secretary of State shall refer to the people for  
18 their approval or rejection, as and in the manner provided by law,  
19 the following proposed amendment to Section 3 of Article V of the  
20 Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

21 Section 3. Referendum petitions shall be filed with the  
22 Secretary of State not more than ninety (90) days after the final  
23 adjournment of the session of the Legislature which passed the bill  
24 on which the referendum is demanded. The veto power of the Governor  
shall not extend to measures voted on by the people. All elections

1 on measures referred to the people of the state shall be had at the  
2 next election held throughout the state, except when the Legislature  
3 or the Governor shall order a special election for the express  
4 purpose of making such reference. ~~Any~~ Except as otherwise provided,  
5 any measure referred to the people by the an initiative or to amend  
6 the constitution shall take effect and be in force when it shall  
7 have been approved by a fifty-five-percent majority of the votes  
8 cast thereon or approved by a majority of the votes cast in at least  
9 twenty counties in this state. A referendum shall take effect and  
10 be in force when it shall have been approved by a majority of the  
11 votes cast thereon and not otherwise.

12 The style of all bills shall be: "Be it Enacted By the People  
13 of the State of Oklahoma."

14 Petitions and orders for the initiative and for the referendum  
15 shall be filed with the Secretary of State and addressed to the  
16 Governor of the state, who shall submit the same to the people. The  
17 Legislature shall make suitable provisions for carrying into effect  
18 the provisions of this article.

19 SECTION 2. The Ballot Title for the proposed Constitutional  
20 amendment as set forth in SECTION 1 of this resolution shall be in  
21 the following form:

22 BALLOT TITLE  
23 Legislative Referendum No. \_\_\_\_ State Question No. \_\_\_\_

24 THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

1 This measure amends Section 3 of Article 5 of the Oklahoma  
2 Constitution. It requires a fifty-five percent (55%) majority  
3 vote of the people or a majority vote of the people in at least  
4 20 counties in the state to pass an initiative petition to amend  
5 the Constitution.

6 SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?

7 FOR THE PROPOSAL - YES \_\_\_\_\_

8 AGAINST THE PROPOSAL - NO \_\_\_\_\_

9 SECTION 3. The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall,  
10 immediately after the passage of this resolution, prepare and file  
11 one copy thereof, including the Ballot Title set forth in SECTION 2  
12 hereof, with the Secretary of State and one copy with the Attorney  
13 General.

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