

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 56th Legislature (2018)

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
4 FOR  
5 HOUSE JOINT  
6 RESOLUTION NO. 1047

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9 A Joint Resolution directing the Secretary of State  
10 to refer to the people for their approval or  
11 rejection a proposed amendment to the Constitution of  
12 the State of Oklahoma by adding a new Section 3.1 to  
13 Article VI of the Constitution of the State of  
14 Oklahoma; providing for the Governor and Lieutenant  
15 Governor to be elected jointly; authorizing the  
16 Legislature to enact procedure; providing ballot  
17 title; and directing filing.

18 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE OF THE  
19 2ND SESSION OF THE 56TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

20 SECTION 1. The Secretary of State shall refer to the people for  
21 their approval or rejection, as and in the manner provided by law,  
22 the following proposed amendment to the Constitution of the State of  
23 Oklahoma by adding a new Section 3.1 to Article VI, to read as  
24 follows:

Section 3.1 Beginning with the General Election held in 2022  
and in each General Election for Governor and Lieutenant Governor

1 held thereafter, the candidates for a political party shall run on  
2 the same ticket with one vote to be cast for the candidates for  
3 those positions. The nominee for Governor for each political party  
4 shall designate an individual to run as the nominee for Lieutenant  
5 Governor for the party. The designation may be made at any time  
6 after a candidate for Governor is declared to be the nominee for  
7 Governor for the political party, but shall be communicated to the  
8 State Election Board on or before a date established by the  
9 Legislature that ensures that the Board has sufficient time to print  
10 ballots for the General Election. Each Independent candidate shall  
11 designate an individual to run on the same ticket as the candidate.  
12 The Legislature, by law, may provide additional procedures for the  
13 joint nomination and election of candidates for Governor and  
14 Lieutenant Governor.

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

18 BALLOT TITLE  
19 Legislative Referendum No. \_\_\_\_\_ State Question No. \_\_\_\_\_

20 THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

21 This measure amends the Oklahoma Constitution. It adds a  
22 new Section 3.1 to Article 6. It deals with the Offices of  
23 Governor and Lieutenant Governor. It would provide that a  
24 voter would cast one vote for both of these offices. The

1 persons running for these offices would run as a team. The  
2 candidate for Governor would select the candidate for  
3 Lieutenant Governor. Additional procedures for the joint  
4 nomination and election of candidates for those offices  
5 could be set by law. This would begin in 2022.

6 SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?

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

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

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

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