

1                   **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2                                   STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3                                   2nd Session of the 56th Legislature (2018)

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

By: Lepak of the House

and

Treat of the Senate

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

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

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

1 Section 3.1 Beginning with the General Election held in 2022  
2 and in each General Election for Governor and Lieutenant Governor  
3 held thereafter, the candidates for a political party shall run on  
4 the same ticket with one vote to be cast for the candidates for  
5 those positions. The nominee for Governor for each political party  
6 shall designate an individual to run as the nominee for Lieutenant  
7 Governor for the party. The designation may be made at any time  
8 after a candidate for Governor is declared to be the nominee for  
9 Governor for the political party, but shall be communicated to the  
10 State Election Board on or before a date established by the  
11 Legislature that ensures that the Board has sufficient time to print  
12 ballots for the General Election. Each Independent candidate shall  
13 designate an individual to run on the same ticket as the candidate.  
14 The Legislature, by law, may provide additional procedures for the  
15 joint nomination and election of candidates for Governor and  
16 Lieutenant Governor.

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

20 BALLOT TITLE  
21 Legislative Referendum No. \_\_\_\_\_ State Question No. \_\_\_\_\_

22 THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

23 This measure amends the Oklahoma Constitution. It adds a  
24 new Section 3.1 to Article 6. It deals with the Offices of

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

8 SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?

9 FOR THE PROPOSAL - YES \_\_\_\_\_

10 AGAINST THE PROPOSAL - NO \_\_\_\_\_

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

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17 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON RULES, dated 03/01/2018 - DO PASS,  
18 As Amended and Coauthored.