

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 2nd Session of the 58th Legislature (2022)

4 HOUSE JOINT
5 RESOLUTION 1059

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8 AS INTRODUCED

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 Section 1 of
12 Article XXIV of the Constitution of the State of
 Oklahoma; requiring certain majority vote to pass
 constitutional amendments; providing ballot title;
 and directing filing.

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15 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE OF THE
16 2ND 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 1 of Article XXIV of the
20 Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

21 Section 1. Any amendment or amendments to this Constitution may
22 be proposed in either branch of the Legislature, and if the same
23 shall be agreed to by a majority of all the members elected to each
24 of the two (2) houses, such proposed amendment or amendments shall,

1 with the yeas and nays thereon, be entered in their journals and
2 referred by the Secretary of State to the people for their approval
3 or rejection, at the next regular general election, except when the
4 Legislature, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of each house, shall order a
5 special election for that purpose. If a fifty-five-percent majority
6 of all the electors voting on any proposed amendment at such
7 election shall vote in favor thereof, it shall thereby become a part
8 of this Constitution; provided, an amendment that only repeals a
9 provision or provisions of this Constitution shall take effect when
10 it has been approved by a majority of all electors voting.

11 No proposal for the amendment or alteration of this Constitution
12 which is submitted to the voters shall embrace more than one general
13 subject and the voters shall vote separately for or against each
14 proposal submitted; provided, however, that in the submission of
15 proposals for the amendment of this Constitution by articles, which
16 embrace one general subject, each proposed article shall be deemed a
17 single proposal or proposition.

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

21 BALLOT TITLE
22 Legislative Referendum No. _____ State Question No. _____

23 THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:
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1 This measure amends Section 1 of Article 24 of the Oklahoma
2 Constitution. It requires a fifty-five percent (55%) majority
3 vote of the people to pass an amendment to the Constitution
4 proposed by the Legislature. It requires a majority vote to
5 repeal provisions of 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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15 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON RULES, dated 03/01/2022 - DO PASS.
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