

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
JOINT
2 RESOLUTION NO. 61

By: David and Yen of the Senate

3 and

4 Wallace of the House

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6 [Joint Resolution - Oklahoma Constitution - raise
7 revenue - ballot title - filing]
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10 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
11 2ND SESSION OF THE 56TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

12 SECTION 1. The Secretary of State shall refer to the people for
13 their approval or rejection, as and in the manner provided by law,
14 the following proposed amendment to Section 33 of Article V of the
15 Oklahoma Constitution to read as follows:

16 Section 33. A. All bills for raising revenue shall originate
17 in the House of Representatives. The Senate may propose amendments
18 to revenue bills.

19 B. No revenue bill shall be passed during the five last days of
20 the session.

21 C. Any revenue bill originating in the House of Representatives
22 shall not become effective until it has been referred to the people
23 of the state at ~~the next general~~ a statewide election held
24 ~~throughout the state~~ and shall become effective and be in force when

1 it has been approved by a majority of the votes cast on the measure
2 at such election and not otherwise, except as otherwise provided in
3 subsection D of this section.

4 D. Any Except as otherwise provided in subsection E of this
5 section, any revenue bill originating in the House of
6 Representatives may become law without being submitted to a vote of
7 the people of the state if such bill receives the approval of three-
8 fourths (3/4) of the membership of the House of Representatives and
9 three-fourths (3/4) of the membership of the Senate and is submitted
10 to the Governor for appropriate action. Any such revenue bill shall
11 not be subject to the emergency measure provision authorized in
12 Section 58 of this Article and shall not become effective and be in
13 force until ninety days after it has been approved by the
14 Legislature, and acted on by the Governor.

15 E. Notwithstanding subsection D of this section, any revenue
16 bill originating in the House of Representatives may become law
17 without being submitted to a vote of the people of the state if such
18 bill receives the approval of three-fifths (3/5) of the membership
19 of the House of Representatives and three-fifths (3/5) of the
20 membership of the Senate, is submitted to the Governor for
21 appropriate action and levies a new tax or increases an existing tax
22 on sales pursuant to the Oklahoma Sales Tax Code or Use Tax Code.
23 Any such revenue bill shall not be subject to the emergency measure
24 provision authorized in Section 58 of this Article and shall not

1 become effective and be in force until ninety (90) days after it has
2 been approved by the Legislature, and acted on by the Governor.

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

6 BALLOT TITLE

7 Legislative Referendum No. _____ State Question No. _____

8 THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

9 This measure amends the Oklahoma Constitution. It amends
10 Section 33 of Article 5. It modifies the requirements for bills
11 to raise revenue. It creates an exception to a requirement that
12 3/4ths of the Legislature approve revenue bills. The exception
13 creates a new requirement that 3/5ths of the Legislature approve
14 certain bills. Those bills would create new taxes or increase
15 current taxes on sales which fall under the Sales or Use Tax
16 Code.

17 SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?

18 FOR THE PROPOSAL - YES _____

19 AGAINST THE PROPOSAL - NO _____

20 SECTION 3. The President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall,
21 immediately after the passage of this resolution, prepare and file
22 one copy thereof, including the Ballot Title set forth in SECTION 2
23 hereof, with the Secretary of State and one copy with the Attorney
24 General.

