



2015 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 32

April 23, 2015 - Introduced by Senators L. TAYLOR, SHILLING, RISSER, HANSEN, WIRCH, RINGHAND, HARRIS DODD, VINEHOUT, MILLER, C. LARSON, CARPENTER, LASSA, ERPENBACH and BEWLEY, cosponsored by Representatives RIEMER, BARNES, JOHNSON, MILROY, KOLSTE, HEBL, HESSELBEIN, KAHL, MASON, C. TAYLOR, YOUNG, OHNSTAD, GOYKE, SUBECK, SARGENT, SINICKI, SPREITZER and POPE. Referred to Committee on Elections and Local Government.

1 **To create** section 7 of article III of the constitution; **relating to:** the right to vote
2 (first consideration).

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This constitutional amendment, proposed to the 2015 legislature on first consideration, provides that every qualified elector of this state shall have the fundamental right to vote in any public election held in the election district in which the elector resides.

A constitutional amendment requires adoption by two successive legislatures, and ratification by the people, before it can become effective.

3 ***Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That:***

4 **SECTION 1.** Section 7 of article III of the constitution is created to read:

5 [Article III] Section 7. Subject to section 2, every qualified elector of this state
6 shall have the fundamental right to vote in any public election held in the election
7 district in which the elector resides.

8 **SECTION 2. Numbering of new provision.** If another constitutional
9 amendment ratified by the people creates the number of any provision created in this

1 joint resolution, the chief of the legislative reference bureau shall determine the
2 sequencing and the numbering of the provisions whose numbers conflict.

3 ***Be it further resolved, That*** this proposed amendment be referred to the
4 legislature to be chosen at the next general election and that it be published for three
5 months previous to the time of holding such election.

6 (END)