ORIGINAL SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION. SJ0003

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 3, SENATE

SIXTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING 2023 GENERAL SESSION

A JOINT RESOLUTION to amend the Wyoming Constitution by providing for the assessment of residential real property as a separate property class for the purpose of taxation.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING, two-thirds of all the members of the two houses, voting separately, concurring therein:

Section 1. The following proposal to amend Wyoming Constitution, Article 15, Section 11 is proposed for submission to the electors of the State of Wyoming at the next general election for approval or rejection to become valid as a part of the Constitution if ratified by a majority of the electors at the election:

Article 15, Section 11. Uniformity of assessment required.

(a) All property, except as in this constitution otherwise provided, shall be uniformly valued at its full value as defined by the legislature, in three (3) four (4) classes as follows:

(i) Gross production of minerals and mine products in lieu of taxes on the land where produced;

(ii) Property used for industrial purposes as defined by the legislature; and

(iii) Residential real property; and

(iv) All other property, real and personal.

(b) The legislature shall prescribe the percentage of value which shall be assessed within each designated class.

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All taxable property shall be valued at its full value as defined by the legislature except agricultural and grazing lands which shall be valued according to the capability of the land to produce agricultural products under normal conditions. The percentage of value prescribed for industrial property shall not be more than forty percent (40%) higher nor more than four (4) percentage points more than the percentage prescribed for residential real property or more than forty percent (40%) higher nor more than four (4) percentage points more than the percentage prescribed for all other property other than minerals.

(c) Except as provided in this subsection the legislature shall not create new classes or subclasses or authorize any property to be assessed at a rate other than the rates set for authorized classes. The legislature may create a subclass of residential real property for owner occupied primary residences.

(d) All taxation shall be equal and uniform within each class <u>and subclass</u> of property. The legislature shall prescribe such regulations as shall secure a just valuation for taxation of all property, real and personal.

Section 2. That the Secretary of State shall endorse the following statement on the proposed amendment:

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The adoption of this amendment would separate residential real property into its own class of property for purposes of property tax assessments. The amendment would authorize the legislature to create a subclass of owner occupied primary residences.

(END)

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Governor

TIME APPROVED: _____

DATE APPROVED: _____

I hereby certify that this act originated in the Senate.

Chief Clerk