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Senate Joint Resolution No. ____

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to
Section 5 of Article XI of the State
Constitution relating to approval of
constitutional amendments.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

That the following amendment to Section 5 of Article XI
of the State Constitution is agreed to and shall be submitted
to the electors of this state for approval or rejection at the
next general election or at an earlier special election
specifically authorized by law for that purpose:

ARTICLE XI
AMENDMENTS

SECTION 5. Amendment or revision election.--

(a) A proposed amendment to or revision of this
constitution, or any part of it, shall be submitted to the
electors at the next general election held more than ninety
days after the joint resolution, initiative petition or report
of revision commission, constitutional convention or taxation
and budget reform commission proposing it is filed with the
custodian of state records, unless, pursuant to law enacted by
the affirmative vote of three-fourths of the membership of
each house of the legislature and limited to a single
amendment or revision, it is submitted at an earlier special
election held more than ninety days after such filing.

(b) Once in the tenth week, and once in the sixth week
immediately preceding the week in which the election is held,
the proposed amendment or revision, with notice of the date of
election at which it will be submitted to the electors, shall

1 be published in one newspaper of general circulation in each
2 county in which a newspaper is published.

3 (c) If the proposed amendment or revision is approved
4 by vote of at least two-thirds of the electors voting on the
5 proposed amendment or revision, it shall be effective as an
6 amendment to or revision of the constitution of the state on
7 the first Tuesday after the first Monday in January following
8 the election, or on such other date as may be specified in the
9 amendment or revision.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following statement be
11 placed on the ballot:

12 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

13 ARTICLE XI, SECTION 5

14 APPROVAL OF CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.--Proposing an
15 amendment to the State Constitution to require approval by
16 two-thirds, rather than a simple majority, of the electors
17 voting on a proposed constitutional amendment.

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