

1                   Senate Joint Resolution No. 1426  
2           A joint resolution proposing an amendment to  
3           Section 5 of Article XI of the State  
4           Constitution relating to approval of  
5           constitutional amendments.

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

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

14                                   ARTICLE XI

15                                   AMENDMENTS

16                   SECTION 5. Amendment or revision election.--

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

28           (b) Once in the tenth week, and once in the sixth week  
29          immediately preceding the week in which the election is held,  
30          the proposed amendment or revision, with notice of the date of  
31          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 55 percent 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 55  
16 percent, rather than a simple majority, of the electors voting  
17 on a proposed constitutional amendment.

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