

By Senators Atwater and Smith

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to a special election to be
3 held on August 31, 2004, pursuant to Section 5
4 of Article XI of the State Constitution, for
5 the approval or rejection by the electors of
6 Florida of a joint resolution amending Section
7 5 of Article XI of the State Constitution,
8 relating to the deadlines for filing initiative
9 petitions and judicial determinations of
10 validity; providing for publication of notice
11 and for procedures; providing an effective
12 date.

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14 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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16 Section 1. Pursuant to Section 5 of Article XI of the
17 State Constitution, there shall be a special election on
18 August 31, 2004, to be held concurrently with the sole primary
19 election, at which there shall be submitted to the electors of
20 this state for approval or rejection Senate Joint Resolution
21 No. ____, relating to the deadlines for filing initiative
22 petitions and judicial determinations of validity.

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24 Section 2. Publication of notice shall be in
25 accordance with Section 5 of Article XI of the State
26 Constitution. The special election shall be held as other
27 special elections are held.

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29 Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
30 law, if enacted by a vote of at least three-fourths of the
31 membership of each house of the Legislature.

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SENATE SUMMARY

Provides for a special election to be held on August 31, 2004, for the approval or rejection of a constitutional amendment revising the deadlines for filing a citizen initiative petition and for a determination of validity by the Florida Supreme Court.