Senate Joint Resolution No. $\qquad$
A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 4 of Article VI of the State Constitution, relating to suffrage and elections, to provide for restoration of voting rights to certain persons convicted of felonies whose convictions are subsequently overturned.

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

That the following amendment to Section 4 of Article VI 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 VI
SUFFRAGE AND ELECTIONS
SECTION 4. Disqualifications.--
(a) No person convicted of a felony, or adjudicated in this or any other state to be mentally incompetent, shall be qualified to vote or hold office until restoration of civil rights or removal of disability except that the leqislature may provide for restoring the right to vote or hold office for a person who has been convicted of a felony and subsequently exonerated after his or her judgment and sentence have become final.
(b) No person may appear on the ballot for re-election to any of the following offices:
(1) Florida representative,
(2) Florida senator,
(3) Florida Lieutenant governor, or

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(4) any office of the Florida cabinet,
(5) U.S. Reprentative from Floxida, OX
(6) U.S. Senator from Florida
if, by the end of the current term of office, the person will
have served (or, but for resignation, would have served) in
that office for eight consecutive years.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following statement be
placed on the ballot:
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT
ARTICLE VI, SECTION 4
RESTORATION OF RIGHTS.--Proposing an amendment to the
State Constitution to allow the Legislature to restore the
rights to vote and to hold office of a person convicted of a
felony who is subsequently exonerated of the offense. The
amendment also deletes inoperative provisions relating to term
limits for members of Congress and U.S. Senators, which
provisions have been determined by the U.S. Supreme Court to
violate the U.S. Constitution.

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