

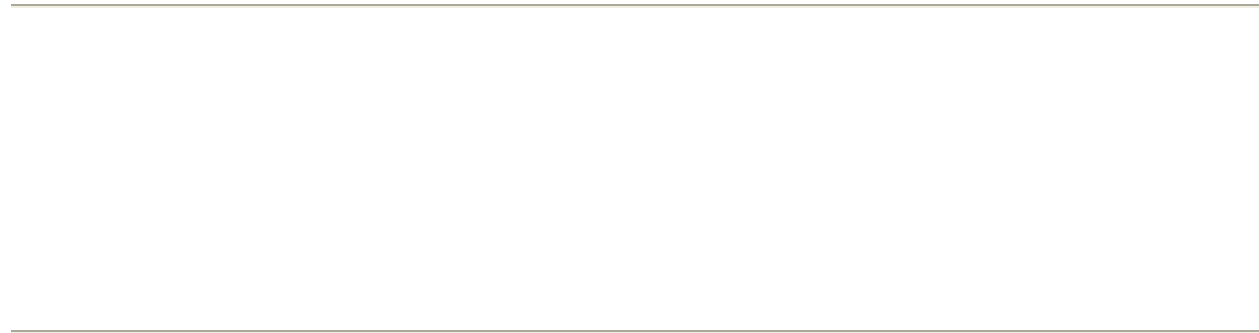
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CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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1 Representative(s) Simmons offered the following:

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3 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

4 Remove everything after the resolving clause and insert:

5 That the amendment to Section 5 of Article XI and the
6 creation of Section 26 of Article XII of the State Constitution
7 is agreed to and shall be submitted to the electors of this
8 state for approval or rejection at the next general election or
9 at an earlier special election specifically authorized by law
10 for that purpose:

11 ARTICLE XI
12 AMENDMENTS

13 SECTION 5. Amendment or revision election.--

14 (a) A proposed amendment to or revision of this
15 constitution, or any part of it, shall be submitted to the
16 electors at the next general election held more than ninety days

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17 after the joint resolution or report of revision commission,
18 constitutional convention or taxation and budget reform
19 commission proposing it is filed with the custodian of state
20 records, unless, pursuant to law enacted by the affirmative vote
21 of three-fourths of the membership of each house of the
22 legislature and limited to a single amendment or revision, it is
23 submitted at an earlier special election held more than ninety
24 days after such filing.

25 (b) A proposed amendment or revision of this constitution,
26 or any part of it, by initiative shall be submitted to the
27 electors at the general election provided the initiative
28 petition is filed with the custodian of state records no later
29 than February 1 of the year in which the general election is
30 held.

31 (c) The legislature shall provide by general law, prior to
32 the holding of an election pursuant to this section, for the
33 provision of a statement to the public regarding the probable
34 financial impact of any amendment proposed by initiative
35 pursuant to section 3.

36 (d) Once in the tenth week, and once in the sixth week
37 immediately preceding the week in which the election is held,
38 the proposed amendment or revision, with notice of the date of
39 election at which it will be submitted to the electors, shall be
40 published in one newspaper of general circulation in each county
41 in which a newspaper is published.

42 (e) Unless otherwise specifically provided for elsewhere
43 in this constitution, if the proposed amendment or revision is
44 approved by vote of at least sixty percent of the electors

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45 voting on the measure, it shall be effective as an amendment to
46 or revision of the constitution of the state on the first
47 Tuesday after the first Monday in January following the
48 election, or on such other date as may be specified in the
49 amendment or revision.

50 ARTICLE XII

51 SCHEDULE

52 SECTION 26. Approval of constitutional amendments and
53 revisions.--The amendment to Section 5 of Article XI, requiring
54 a vote of at least sixty percent of the electors voting on the
55 measure for the approval of a proposed amendment to or revision
56 of this constitution, shall take effect upon approval by the
57 electors.

58 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the title and substance of the
59 amendment proposed herein shall appear on the ballot as follows:

60 REQUIRING BROADER PUBLIC SUPPORT FOR
61 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS OR REVISIONS

62 Proposes an amendment to Section 5 of Article XI and the
63 creation of Section 26 of Article XII of the State Constitution
64 to require that any proposed amendment to or revision of the
65 State Constitution, whether proposed by the Legislature, by
66 initiative, or by any other method, must be approved by at least
67 60 percent of the voters of the state voting on the measure,
68 rather than by a simple majority, and to provide that the
69 amendment to Section 5 of Article XI shall effect upon approval
70 by the electors. The amendment to Section 5 of Article XI would
71 not change the current requirement that a proposed
72 constitutional amendment imposing a new state tax or fee be

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73 approved by at least 2/3 of the voters of the state voting in
74 the election in which such an amendment is considered.

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77 Remove the entire title and insert:

78 House Joint Resolution

79 A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 5 of
80 Article XI and the creation of Section 26 of Article XII
81 of the State Constitution to require that any proposed
82 amendment to or revision of the State Constitution be
83 approved by at least 60 percent of the electors voting on
84 the measure, rather than a simple majority, and to provide
85 for the amendment to Section 5 of Article XI to take
86 effect upon approval by the electors.