CHAMBER ACTION

Senate House

Representative(s) Robaina offered the following:

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Amendment to Senate Amendment (583214) (with directory, schedule, ballot, and title amendments)

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SECTION 19. State sales tax increase; required local effort.--The legislature shall provide for an increase in the rate of the state tax on sales, use, and other transactions imposed by general law by an additional two percent (2%). The legislature shall apply each year the amount of additional revenues generated by the increase in the state tax on sales, use, and other transactions required by this section to reduce the required local effort imposed upon school districts for funding education finance as required by general law.

17 18 19 DIRECTORY AMENDMENT 20 On page 1, line(s) 18 and 19, 21 remove: all of said lines, 22 23 24 and insert: That the following amendments to Sections 3, 4, and 6 and 25 the creation of Section 19 of Article VII and the creation of 26 Sections 27 and 28 of Article XII 27 28 29 S C H E D U L E A M E N D M E N T 30 On page 12, line(s) 4-10, 31 remove: all of said lines, 32 33 and insert: 34 SECTION 27. State sales tax increase; annual appropriation 35 to fund required local effort.--During the next regular session 36 of the legislature after the effective date of the creation of 37 Section 19 of Article VII, the legislature shall provide by 38 39 general law for an increase of two percent in the rate of the state tax on sales, use, and other transactions. The legislature 40 shall appropriate each year an amount equal to the total amount 41 42 generated by the two percent increase in the rate of the state tax on sales, use, and other transactions for the purpose of 43

reducing the required local effort imposed upon school districts for funding education finance as required by general law.

SECTION 28. Property tax exemptions; limitations on property tax exemptions; state sales tax increase; annual appropriation to fund required local effort.--The amendments to Sections 3, 4, and 6 of Article VII, providing a \$25,000 exemption for tangible personal property, providing an additional \$25,000 homestead exemption, authorizing transfer of the accrued benefit from the limitations on the assessment of homestead property, the creation of Section 19 of Article VII and Section 27 of this Article, requiring the legislature to increase the state sales and use tax and appropriate additional revenues from the increase to reduce the required local effort imposed upon school districts, and this section, if submitted to the electors of

BALLOT AMENDMENT

On page 13, line 4, through page 14, line 14 remove: all of said lines,

and insert:

ARTICLE VII, SECTIONS 3, 4, 6, AND 19

ARTICLE XII, SECTIONS 27 AND 28

PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS; LIMITATIONS ON PROPERTY TAX
ASSESSMENTS; STATE SALES TAX INCREASE; SCHOOL DISTRICT
APPROPRIATIONS.--This revision proposes changes to the State
Constitution relating to property taxation. With respect to
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homestead property, this revision: (1) increases the homestead exemption except for school district taxes and (2) allows homestead property owners to transfer up to \$500,000 of their Save-Our-Homes benefits to their next homestead. With respect to nonhomestead property, this revision (3) provides a \$25,000 exemption for tangible personal property and (4) limits assessment increases for specified nonhomestead real property except for school district taxes. Further, this revision (5) provides for a 2-percent increase in the state sales and use tax and applies revenues from the increase to reduce required local effort for school districts.

In more detail, this revision:

- (1) Increases the homestead exemption by exempting the assessed value greater than \$50,000 and up to \$75,000. This exemption does not apply to school district taxes.
- (2) Provides for the transfer of accumulated Save-Our-Homes benefits. Homestead property owners will be able to transfer their Save-Our-Homes benefit to a new homestead within 1 year and not more than 2 years after relinquishing their previous homestead; except, if this revision is approved by the electors in January of 2008 and if the new homestead is established on January 1, 2008, the previous homestead must have been relinquished in 2007. If the new homestead has a higher just value than the old one, the accumulated benefit can be transferred; if the new homestead has a lower just value, the amount of benefit transferred will be reduced. The transferred benefit may not exceed \$500,000. This provision applies to all tax levies.

- (3) Authorizes an exemption from property taxes of \$25,000 of assessed value of tangible personal property. This provision applies to all tax levies.
- (4) Limits the assessment increases for specified nonhomestead real property to 10 percent each year. Property will be assessed at just value following an improvement, as defined by general law, and may be assessed at just value following a change of ownership or control if provided by general law. This limitation does not apply to school district taxes. This limitation is repealed effective January 1, 2019, unless renewed by a vote of the electors in the general election held in 2018.
- (5) Requires the Legislature to increase the state sales and use tax by 2 percent and appropriate additional revenues from the increase to reduce the required local effort imposed upon school districts.

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On page 15, line(s) 11-19,

remove: all of said lines,

and insert: Sections 3, 4, and 6 and the creation of Section 19 of Article VII and the creation of Sections 27 and 28 of Article XII of the State Constitution, to require an exemption from ad valorem taxation for tangible personal property, to provide for the transfer of the accrued benefit from the limitation on the assessed value of homestead property, to create a limitation on annual assessment increases for specified real property, to 439027

HOUSE AMENDMENT

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Amendment No.

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