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A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to a special election; providing for a 3 special election to be held January 29, 2008, pursuant to Section 5 of Article XI of the State Constitution, for the 4 5 approval or rejection by the electors of this state of 6 amendments to the State Constitution, proposed by joint 7 resolution, relating to a tangible personal property tax 8 exemption, homestead property assessments, assessment of 9 rent-restricted affordable housing and commercial and public-access waterfront property, assessment increase 10 limitation for nonhomestead real property, increased 11 homestead exemption and additional homestead exemption for 12 first-time homestead property owners and an exemption for 13 low-income seniors, limitations on local government 14 authority to increase ad valorem taxes, and elected county 15 16 property appraisers; providing for publication of notice 17 and for procedures; providing an appropriation; providing a contingent effective date. 18 19 20 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 21 22 Section 1. Pursuant to Section 5 of Article XI of the 23 State Constitution, there shall be a special election on January 24 29, 2008, to be held concurrently with other statewide elections

25 <u>held on that date, if any, at which there shall be submitted to</u>

26 the electors of this state for approval or rejection the

amendments to the State Constitution proposed in Senate Joint

28 Resolution 2-D or House Joint Resolution 7001D, 2007D Special

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29 Session. Section 2. Publication of notice shall be in accordance 30 31 with Section 5 of Article XI of the State Constitution. The 32 special election shall be held as other special elections are 33 held. Section 3. The sum of \$640,000 in nonrecurring funds from 34 35 the General Revenue Fund is appropriated to the Department of State for fiscal year 2007-2008 for the purpose of advertising 36 37 the constitutional amendments being submitted to the electors of this state at the special election called by this act. 38 39 Section 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law if enacted by a vote of at least three-fourths of the membership 40 of each house of the Legislature and if Senate Joint Resolution 41 42 2-D or House Joint Resolution 7001D, 2007D Special Session, is 43 adopted by both houses of the Legislature.

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