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CHAMBER ACTION

Senate House

Representative Proctor offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove everything after the resolving clause and insert:

That the creation of Section 8 of Article IX and the creation of a new section in Article XII of the State

Constitution are agreed to and shall be submitted to the electors of this state for approval or rejection at the next general election:

ARTICLE IX

EDUCATION

SECTION 8. Florida college system. --

(a) PURPOSES. In order to maximize open access for students, respond to community needs for postsecondary academic education and career degree education, and provide associate and baccalaureate degrees that will best meet the state's employment 472367

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needs, the people hereby establish a system of governance for the Florida college system.

- (b) FLORIDA COLLEGE SYSTEM. There shall be a single Florida college system comprised of two-year and four-year public postsecondary educational institutions that grant academic degrees at the undergraduate level as provided by law. An institution within the Florida college system may not offer graduate degree programs.
- (c) LOCAL BOARDS OF TRUSTEES. Each institution within the Florida college system shall be governed by a local board of trustees as provided by law. The membership of each local board of trustees shall be as provided by law.
- (d) FLORIDA COLLEGE BOARD. The Florida college board shall oversee and coordinate the Florida college system as provided by law. The governor shall appoint to the board six citizens dedicated to the purposes of the Florida college system. The appointed members shall be confirmed by the senate and serve staggered terms of four years as provided by law. The commissioner of education shall also be a member of the board.

ARTICLE XII

SCHEDULE

Florida college system.--The creation of Section 8 of
Article IX, which establishes the Florida college system, and
this section, if submitted to the electors of this state for
approval or rejection at the next general election and if
approved, shall take effect July 1 of the year following such
general election.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following statement be placed on the ballot:

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

ARTICLE IX, SECTION 8

ARTICLE XII

ESTABLISHING THE FLORIDA COLLEGE SYSTEM.--Proposing amendments to the State Constitution which will establish the Florida College System comprised of 2-year and 4-year public postsecondary educational institutions that grant academic degrees at the undergraduate level as provided by law; provide for the governance of each institution within the Florida College System by a local board of trustees as provided by law; provide that the Florida College Board, which shall be comprised of the Commissioner of Education and six citizens appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate, shall oversee and coordinate the Florida College System as provided by law; and provide that these amendments shall take effect July 1 of the year following the next general election.

TITLE AMENDMENT

Remove the entire title and insert:

Senate Joint Resolution

A joint resolution proposing the creation of Section 8 of Article IX and the creation of a new section in Article XII of the State Constitution to establish the Florida College System, to provide for a local board of trustees to govern each

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- 72 institution in the Florida College System, to provide for the
- 73 Florida College Board, and to provide an effective date.