

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE JOINT
RESOLUTION NO. 1001

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AS INTRODUCED

A Joint Resolution directing the Secretary of State to refer to the people for their approval or rejection a proposed amendment to the Oklahoma Constitution by adding a new section to Article XXIII to be designated as Section 2.1; providing that persons not be required to join a labor organization; specifying certain options for employees relating to membership and nonmembership in labor organizations; providing ballot title; and directing filing.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE OF THE
1ST SESSION OF THE 46TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

SECTION 1. The Secretary of State shall refer to the people for their approval or rejection, as and in the manner provided by law, the following proposed amendment to Article XXIII of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma by adding a new Section 2.1 to read as follows:

Section 2.1 No person shall be required to be a member or become a member of a labor organization in order to be hired or remain employed by any employer. Provided however, if a collective bargaining agreement is in effect with an employer, an employee shall have one of the following options at any time during a one-year period:

1. To be a member of the labor organization, be represented by the labor organization in all normal functions covered in the bylaws and collective bargaining agreement, pay such dues, fees and

assessments as required, and enjoy the rights to participate in the governing of the labor organization;

2. To not be a member and to void any right to participate in the governing of the labor organization, but to pay the equivalent "core dues" as required and established by the National Labor Relations Board in order to receive representation as covered by collective bargaining; or

3. To not be covered by the collective bargaining agreement and to void any obligation of the labor organization to represent them or expend any resources on behalf of said employee.

SECTION 2. The Ballot Title for the proposed Constitutional amendment as set forth in SECTION 1 of this resolution shall be in the following form:

BALLOT TITLE

Legislative Referendum No. _____

State Question No. _____

THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

This measure amends Article 23 of the State Constitution. It adds a new Section 2.1. This measure relates to joining or not joining a labor organization. It states that a person not be required to join such an organization. It specifies certain options for workers relating to such joining or not joining a labor organization.

SHALL THIS AMENDMENT BE APPROVED BY THE PEOPLE?

 / YES, FOR THE AMENDMENT

 / NO, AGAINST THE AMENDMENT

SECTION 3. The Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, immediately after the passage of this resolution, shall prepare and file one copy thereof, including the Ballot Title set forth in SECTION 2 hereof, with the Secretary of State and one copy with the Attorney General.

