

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 46th Legislature (1998)

HOUSE JOINT
RESOLUTION NO. 1094

By: Hastings

AS INTRODUCED

A Joint Resolution directing the Secretary of State to refer to the people for their approval or rejection proposed amendments to Section 26 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma; changing the length of sessions of the Legislature during even numbered years; limiting the subject matter of measures the Legislature could consider during even numbered years; providing ballot title; and directing filing.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE OF THE
2ND 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 Section 26 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 26. A. The Legislature shall meet in the first regular session of the Legislature at the seat of government at twelve o'clock noon on the first Monday in February of each odd numbered year and the first regular session shall be finally adjourned sine die not later than five o'clock p.m. on the last Friday in May of each odd numbered year.

B. The Legislature shall meet in the second regular session of the Legislature at the seat of government at twelve o'clock noon on the first Monday in April of each even numbered year and the second

regular session shall be finally adjourned sine die not later than five o'clock p.m. on the last Friday in May of each even numbered year.

C. The Legislature shall also meet in the first regular session of the Legislature at the seat of government on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in January of each odd numbered year, beginning at twelve o'clock noon for the purposes only of performing the duties as required by Section 5 of Article VI of the Constitution and organizing pursuant to the provisions of this Article and shall recess not later than five o'clock p.m. of that same day until the following first Monday in February of the same year, beginning at twelve o'clock noon.

D. The second regular session of the Legislature shall be restricted to considerations of:

1. Appropriations;
2. Capital budget;
3. Bonds;
4. Taxes;
5. Legislation from the previous regular session vetoed by the Governor; and
6. Legislation of an emergency nature.

SECTION 2. The Ballot Title for the proposed Constitutional amendments 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 the Oklahoma Constitution. It amends Section 26 of Article 5. It would change the length of sessions in even numbered years. The Legislature would meet from the first Monday in April to the last Friday in May. It would limit the subject matter that could be considered by the Legislature

in even numbered years. Fiscal matters and legislation of an emergency nature could be considered.

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.

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