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SENATE JOINT  
RESOLUTION 33

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A Joint Resolution directing the Secretary of State to refer to the people for their approval or rejection a proposed amendment to Sections 1, 11C, 11D, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 27A, 30, 33, 34, 35, 42, 49 and 58 of Article V; Sections 1, 5, 7, 9, 11, 14, 15, and 31a of Article VI; Sections 1 and 6 of Article VII; Sections 3 and 4 of Article VIII; Sections 15 and 23 of Article X; Section 8 of Article XIII; Section 2 of Article XIII-A; Section 1 of Article XIII-B; Section 1 of Article XIV; Section 2 of Article XV; Section 1 of Article XXVI; Section 1 of Article XXVIII; and Section 1 of Article XXIX of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma; adding a new section to Article V to be designated as Section 10B; changing the Legislature from two chambers to one chamber; providing for construction of certain language; designating Lieutenant Governor as President of the Legislature; providing for standing committees and election of members thereto; authorizing Legislature to provide by law for temporary replacement of its President in situations when Lieutenant Governor is unable to serve; requiring Legislature to determine apportionment of the Legislature in accordance to certain provisions; providing for creation of seventy-four legislative districts; stating factors to be given consideration in creation of districts; providing for election of one legislator from each district; providing for terms of office and staggered terms; maintaining certain term limits; providing qualifications for serving as legislator; conforming language; modifying gender references and obsolete language; repealing Sections 9A, 10A, 17, 28 and 29 of Article V and Section 1.A of Article XXVIII of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma, which relate to apportionment of State into Senate and House districts, qualifications for office, election of presiding officers and members of standing committees, and the abolished Alcoholic Beverage Control Board; providing effective dates; providing ballot title; and directing filing.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
2ND SESSION OF THE 47TH 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 1 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 1. The Legislative authority of the State shall be vested in a Legislature, consisting of ~~a Senate and a House of Representatives~~ one chamber; but the people reserve to themselves the power to propose laws and amendments to the Constitution and to enact or reject the same at the polls independent of the Legislature, and also reserve power at their own option to approve or reject at the polls any act of the Legislature.

SECTION 2. 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 the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma by adding a new Section 10B to Article V thereof, to read as follows:

Section 10B. A. Commencing with the regular session of the Legislature that will convene in January 2003, the Legislature shall consist of one chamber. All authority vested by the constitution or laws of the State in the Senate, House of Representatives, or joint session thereof, in so far as applicable, shall be vested in this one chamber of the Legislature and the members thereof. Beginning January 1, 2003, whenever any provision of the constitution or laws of the State requires submission of any matter to, or action by, the House of Representatives, the Senate, or joint session thereof, or the members of either or both bodies, it shall be construed to mean the one chamber of the Legislature.

B. Beginning January 1, 2003, all references to the President Pro Tempore of the Senate or the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall mean the Lieutenant Governor who shall be the

President and presiding officer of the Legislature. The Legislature shall provide for all its standing committees and, by a majority vote, elect the members thereof.

C. The Legislature shall prescribe by law provisions for temporary replacement of the President of the Legislature in those situations where the Lieutenant Governor is acting as Governor because of a vacancy in that office or the Lieutenant Governor is unable to serve because of impeachment, displacement, resignation, death, absence from the State, or inability to perform the duties of office.

D. 1. At the regular session of the Legislature that will convene in January 2001, the Legislature shall determine the apportionment of the Legislature in accordance to the provisions of Section 11A of this article. Provided, the Legislature shall be apportioned into seventy-four legislative districts in such a manner that all citizens of the State are equally represented. In apportioning the legislative districts, primary consideration shall be given to population. Compactness, area, political units, historical precedents, economic and political interests, contiguous territory, and other major factors may be considered to the extent feasible.

2. Each legislative district shall be entitled to one legislator, who shall be elected initially at the general election held in November 2002. At this election one-half of the members of the Legislature, as designated by law, shall be elected to two-year terms of office and one-half shall be elected to four-year terms of office. Thereafter, all members shall be elected to four-year terms of office. Nothing in these provisions shall be construed as permitting any person to serve for more than twelve (12) years in the Legislature or to otherwise circumvent the term limits set forth in Section 17A of Article 5 of the Oklahoma Constitution.

3. Beginning with persons who stand for election in November 2002, members of the Legislature shall be at least twenty-one (21) years of age at the time of their election. They shall be qualified electors in their respective districts and shall reside in their districts during their term of office.

SECTION 3. 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 11C of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 11C. Any qualified elector may seek a review of any apportionment order of the Apportionment Commission, or apportionment law of the ~~legislature~~ Legislature, within sixty (60) days from the filing thereof, by filing in the Supreme Court of Oklahoma a petition which must set forth a proposed apportionment more nearly in accordance with this Article. Any apportionment of ~~either the Senate or the House of Representatives~~ the Legislature, as ordered by the Commission, or apportionment law of the ~~legislature~~ Legislature, from which review is not sought within such time, shall become final. The court shall give all cases involving apportionment precedence over all other cases and proceedings; and if ~~said~~ the court be not in session, it shall convene promptly for the disposal of the same.

SECTION 4. 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 11D of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 11D. Upon review, the Supreme Court shall determine whether or not the apportionment order of the Apportionment Commission or act of the ~~legislature~~ Legislature is in compliance with the formula as set forth in this Article and, if so, it shall require the same to be filed or refiled as the case may be with the Secretary of State forthwith, and such apportionment shall become

final on the date of said writ. In the event the Supreme Court shall determine that the apportionment order of ~~said the~~ Commission or legislative act is not in compliance with the ~~formula for either the Senate or the House of Representatives as~~ provisions set forth in ~~this Article~~ Section 2 of this resolution, it will remand the matter to the Commission with directions to modify its order to achieve conformity with ~~the~~ such provisions ~~of this Article~~.

SECTION 5. 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 19 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 19. A member of the Legislature expelled for corruption shall not thereafter be eligible to membership in ~~either House the~~ Legislature. Punishment for contempt or disorderly conduct, or for any other cause, shall not bar an indictment for the same offense.

SECTION 6. 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 21 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 21. A. The Legislature shall enact laws to prohibit members of the Legislature from engaging in activities or having interests which conflict with the proper discharge of their duties and responsibilities.

B. The Board on Legislative Compensation is hereby created. ~~Said The~~ Board shall be composed of five members appointed by the Governor, ~~two members appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and two members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives~~ and four members appointed by the President of the Legislature. The members appointed by the Governor shall be from religious organizations, communications media, nonstate-supported educational institutions, labor organizations, and retail business; the members appointed by the President ~~Pro Tempore of the Senate of~~

the Legislature shall be from agricultural ~~and~~ organizations, civic organizations; ~~and the members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall be from,~~ manufacturing fields, and ~~from~~ professional fields not otherwise specified. No member of the Legislature may be appointed to or serve on the Board. In addition to the appointed members ~~above provided for~~, the Chairman of the Oklahoma Tax Commission and the Director of State Finance shall serve as ex officio nonvoting members of ~~said~~ the Board. The ~~Chairman~~ Chair of ~~said~~ the Board shall be designated by the Governor.

C. Members of the Legislature shall receive such compensation as shall be fixed by the Board on Legislative Compensation. ~~Said~~ The Board shall each two years review the compensation paid to the members of the Legislature and shall be empowered to change such compensation; such change to become effective on the fifteenth day following the succeeding general election. The members of the Board shall serve without compensation, but shall be entitled to receive necessary travel and subsistence expense as provided by law for other state officers.

SECTION 7. 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 22 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 22. ~~Senators and Representatives~~ Members of the Legislature shall, except for treason, felony, or breach of the peace, be privileged from arrest during the session of the Legislature, and in going to and returning from the same, and, for any speech or debate in ~~either House~~ the Legislature, shall not be questioned in any other place.

SECTION 8. 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 23 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 23. No member of the Legislature shall, during the term for which ~~he was~~ elected, be appointed or elected to any office or commission in the State, which shall have been created, or the emoluments of which shall have been increased, during ~~his~~ the member's term of office, nor shall any member receive any appointment from the Governor, the Governor and ~~Senate~~ Legislature, or from the Legislature, during the term for which ~~he shall have been~~ elected, nor shall any member, during the term for which ~~he shall have been~~ elected, or within two (2) years thereafter, be interested, directly or indirectly, in any contract with the State, or any county or other subdivision thereof, authorized by law passed during the term for which ~~he shall have been~~ elected.

SECTION 9. 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 24 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 24. A member of the Legislature, who has a personal or private interest in any measure or bill, proposed or pending before the Legislature, shall disclose the fact ~~to the House of which he is a member,~~ and shall not vote thereon.

SECTION 10. 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 27A of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 27A. ~~(1)~~ A. The Legislature may be called into special session by a written call for such purposes as may be specifically set out in the call, signed by two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the ~~Senate and two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the House of Representatives~~ Legislature when it is filed with the President ~~Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of~~

~~Representatives of the Legislature~~ who shall issue ~~jointly~~ an order for the convening of the special session.

~~(2) B.~~ Nothing in this section shall prevent the calling of a special session of the Legislature by the Governor, as provided by the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma.

SECTION 11. 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 30 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 30. ~~Each House~~ A. The Legislature shall be the judge of the elections, returns, and qualifications of its own members, and a majority of ~~each~~ the members of the Legislature shall constitute a quorum to do business; but a smaller number may adjourn from day to day, and may be authorized to compel the attendance of absent members, in such manner and under such penalty as ~~each House~~ the Legislature may provide.

~~Each House~~ B. The Legislature may determine the rules of its proceedings, punish its members for disorderly behavior, and, with the concurrence of two-thirds, expel a member.

~~Each House~~ C. The Legislature shall keep a journal of its proceedings, and from time to time publish the same. The yeas and nays of the members ~~of either House~~ on any question, at the desire of one-fifteenth of those present shall be entered upon its journal.

~~Neither House, during the session of the Legislature, shall, without the consent of the other, adjourn for more than three days, nor to any other place than that in which the two Houses shall be sitting.~~

SECTION 12. 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 33 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 33. A. ~~All bills for raising revenue shall originate in the House of Representatives. The Senate may propose amendments to revenue bills.~~

B. No revenue bill shall be passed during the five (5) last days of the session.

C. ~~B.~~ Any revenue bill originating in the ~~House of Representatives~~ Legislature shall not become effective until it has been referred to the people of the ~~state~~ State at the next general election held throughout the ~~state~~ State and shall become effective and be in force when it has been approved by a majority of the votes cast on the measure at such election and not otherwise, except as otherwise provided in subsection ~~D~~ C of this section.

~~D.~~ C. Any revenue bill originating in the ~~House of Representatives~~ Legislature may become law without being submitted to a vote of the people of the ~~state~~ State if such bill receives the approval of three-fourths (3/4) of the membership of the ~~House of Representatives and three-fourths (3/4) of the membership of the Senate~~ Legislature, and is submitted to the Governor for appropriate action. Any such revenue bill shall not be subject to the emergency measure provision authorized in Section 58 of this Article and shall not become effective and be in force until ninety (90) days after it has been approved by the Legislature, and acted on by the Governor.

SECTION 13. 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 34 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 34. Every bill shall be read on three (3) different days in ~~each House~~ the Legislature, and no bill shall become a law unless, on its final passage, it be read at length, ~~and no~~ No law shall be passed unless upon a vote of a majority of all the members elected to ~~each House~~ the Legislature in favor of such law, ~~and the~~.

The question, upon final passage, shall be taken upon its last reading, and the yeas and nays shall be entered upon the journal.

SECTION 14. 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 35 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 35. ~~The presiding officer of each House shall, in the presence of the House over which he presides,~~ President of the Legislature shall sign all bills and joint resolutions passed by the Legislature, immediately after the same shall have been publicly read at length, and the fact of reading and signing shall be entered upon the journal, but the reading at length may be dispensed with by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of a quorum present, which vote, by yeas and nays, shall also be entered upon the journal.

SECTION 15. 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 42 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 42. In any legislative investigation, ~~either House of the Legislature, or any committee thereof, duly authorized by the House creating the same~~ Legislature, shall have power to punish as for contempt, disobedience of process, or contumacious or disorderly conduct, ~~and this provision shall also apply to joint sessions of the Legislature, and also to joint committees thereof, when authorized by joint resolution of both Houses.~~

SECTION 16. 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 49 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 49. The Legislature shall not increase the number or emolument of its employees, ~~or the employees of either House,~~ except

by general law, which shall not take effect during the term at which such increase was made.

SECTION 17. 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 58 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 58. No act shall take effect until ninety (90) days after the adjournment of the session at which it was passed, except enactments for carrying into effect provisions relating to the initiative and referendum, or a general appropriation bill, unless, in case of emergency, to be expressed in the act, the Legislature, by a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of all members elected to ~~each House~~ the Legislature, so directs. An emergency measure shall include only such measures as are immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, and shall not include the granting of franchises or license to a corporation or individual, to extend longer than one year, nor provision for the purchase or sale of real estate, nor the renting or encumbrance of real property for a longer term than one year. Emergency measures may be vetoed by the Governor, but such measures so vetoed may be passed by a three-fourths vote of ~~each House~~ the Legislature, to be duly entered on the journal.

SECTION 18. 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 1 of Article VI of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 1. A. The Executive authority of the ~~state~~ State shall be vested in a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, State Auditor and Inspector, Attorney General, State Treasurer, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Commissioner of Labor, Commissioner of Insurance and other officers provided by law and this Constitution, ~~each of whom~~. These officers shall keep ~~his~~

~~office~~ their offices and public records, books and papers at the seat of government, and shall perform such duties as may be designated in this Constitution or prescribed by law.

B. The Secretary of State shall be appointed by the Governor by and with the consent of the ~~Senate~~ Legislature for a term of four (4) years to run concurrently with the term of the Governor.

SECTION 19. 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 5 of Article VI of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 5. The returns of every election for all elective state officers shall be sealed up and transmitted by the returning officers to the Secretary of State, directed to the ~~Speaker of the House of Representatives~~ President of the Legislature, who shall, immediately after the organization of the ~~House~~ Legislature, and before proceeding to other business, open and publish the same in the presence of a majority of ~~each branch~~ the members of the Legislature, who shall for that purpose assemble ~~in the hall of the House of Representatives~~. The persons respectively having the highest number of votes for ~~either of the said~~ these offices shall be declared duly elected; but in case two or more ~~shall have~~ persons have an equal and the highest number of votes for ~~either of said offices~~ an office, the Legislature shall, forthwith, ~~by joint ballot,~~ choose one of the ~~said~~ persons so having an equal and the highest number of votes for ~~said~~ the office.

SECTION 20. 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 7 of Article VI of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 7. The Governor shall have power to convoke the Legislature, ~~or the Senate only,~~ on extraordinary occasions. At

extraordinary sessions, no subject shall be acted upon, except such as the Governor may recommend for consideration.

SECTION 21. 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 9 of Article VI of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 9. At every session of the Legislature, and immediately upon its organization, the Governor shall communicate by message, delivered to ~~a joint session of the two Houses~~ the Legislature, upon the condition of the State; and shall recommend such matters to the Legislature as ~~he~~ the Governor shall judge expedient. ~~He~~ The Governor shall also transmit a copy, to ~~each house~~ the Legislature, of the full report of each State officer and State commission. ~~He~~ and shall communicate, from time to time, such matters as ~~he~~ the Governor may elect or the Legislature may require.

SECTION 22. 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 11 of Article VI of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 11. Every bill ~~which shall have passed the Senate and House of Representatives, and every~~ and resolution ~~requiring the assent of both branches of~~ which is passed by the Legislature, shall, before it becomes a law, be presented to and, if approved, signed by the Governor; ~~if he approve, he shall sign it; if.~~ If not approved, ~~he~~ the Governor shall return ~~it~~ the measure to the Legislature with ~~his~~ objections ~~to the house in which it shall have originated, who~~ noted. The Legislature shall enter the objections at large in the Journal and proceed to reconsider ~~it~~ the measure. If, after ~~such~~ reconsideration, ~~two-thirds of the members elected to that house shall agree to pass the bill or joint resolution, it shall be sent, together with the objections, to the other house, by which it shall likewise be reconsidered; and, if~~ the measure is

approved by two-thirds (2/3) of the members ~~elected to that house of~~ the Legislature, it shall become a law, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor. In all such cases, the vote ~~in both houses of the Legislature~~ shall be determined by yeas and nays, and the names of the members voting shall be entered on the Journal of ~~each house respectively~~ the Legislature. If any bill or resolution ~~shall not be~~ is not returned by the Governor within five (5) days (Sundays excepted) after it ~~shall have been~~ is presented to ~~him~~ the Governor, the same shall be a law in like manner as if ~~he~~ the Governor had signed it, unless the Legislature shall, by ~~their~~ its adjournment, prevent its return, in which case it shall not become a law without the approval of the Governor. No bill or resolution shall become a law after the final adjournment of the Legislature, unless approved by the Governor within fifteen (15) days after such adjournment.

SECTION 23. 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 14 of Article VI of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 14. ~~In case of a disagreement between the two houses of the Legislature, at a regular or special session, with respect to the time of adjournment, the Governor may, if the facts be certified to him, by the presiding officer of the house first moving the adjournment, adjourn them to such time as he shall deem proper, not beyond the day of the next stated meeting of the Legislature. He~~ The Governor may convoke the Legislature at or adjourn it to another place, when, in ~~his~~ the opinion of the Governor, the public safety or welfare, or the safety or health of the members require it: Provided, however, That such change or adjournment shall be concurred in by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of ~~all~~ the members ~~elected to each branch~~ of the Legislature.

SECTION 24. 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 15 of Article VI of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 15. A. The Lieutenant Governor shall possess the same qualifications of eligibility for office as the Governor. The Lieutenant Governor shall be ~~president~~ President of the ~~Senate Legislature~~, but shall have only a casting vote therein, ~~and also in joint vote of both houses.~~

~~If~~ B. The Legislature shall prescribe by law provisions for succession to the office of Governor for situations in which, during a vacancy of the office of Governor, the Lieutenant Governor ~~shall be impeached, displaced, resign, die or be absent from the State, or become incapable of performing the duties of the office, the president, pro tempore, of the Senate, shall act as Governor until the vacancy be filled or the disability shall cease; and if the president, pro tempore, of the Senate, for any of the above enumerated causes, shall become incapable of performing the duties pertaining to the office of Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall act as Governor until the vacancy be filled or the disability shall cease. Further provisions for succession to the office of Governor shall be prescribed by law~~ is unable to serve because of impeachment, displacement, resignation, death, absence from the State, or inability to perform the duties of office.

SECTION 25. 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 31a of Article VI of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 31a. There is hereby created a Board of Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College and all Agricultural and Mechanical Schools and Colleges maintained in whole or in part by the State. The Board shall consist of nine (9) members, eight

~~(8)~~ members to be appointed by the Governor by and with the advice and consent of the ~~Senate~~ Legislature, a majority of whom shall be farmers, and the ninth member shall be the President of the State Board of Agriculture. Any vacancy occurring among the appointed members shall be filled by appointment of the Governor by and with the advice and consent of the ~~Senate~~ Legislature. The members of the Board shall be removable only for cause as provided by law for the removal of officers not subject to impeachment. The members shall be appointed for terms of eight (8) years each, with one term expiring each year, provided that the members of the first Board shall be appointed for terms of from one (1) to eight (8) years respectively. Provided that no State, National or County officer shall ever be appointed as a member of ~~said~~ the Board of Regents until two years after ~~his~~ tenure as such officer has ceased.

SECTION 26. 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 1 of Article VII of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 1. The judicial power of this State shall be vested in the ~~Senate~~ Legislature, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, a Supreme Court, the Court of Criminal Appeals, the Court on the Judiciary, the State Industrial Court, the Court of Bank Review, the Court of Tax Review, and such intermediate appellate courts as may be provided by statute District Courts, and such Boards, Agencies and Commissions created by the Constitution or established by statute as exercise adjudicative authority or render decisions in individual proceedings. Provided that the Court of Criminal Appeals, the State Industrial Court, the Court of Bank Review and the Court of Tax Review and such Boards, Agencies and Commissions as have been established by statute shall continue in effect, subject to the power of the Legislature to change or abolish said Courts, Boards, Agencies, or Commissions. Municipal Courts in cities or

incorporated towns shall continue in effect and shall be subject to creation, abolition or alteration by the Legislature by general laws, but shall be limited in jurisdiction to criminal and traffic proceedings arising out of infractions of the provisions of ordinances of cities and towns or of duly adopted regulations authorized by such ordinances.

SECTION 27. 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 6 of Article VII of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 6. Except with reference to the ~~Senate~~ Legislature sitting as a Court of Impeachment and the Court on the Judiciary, general administrative authority over all courts in this State, including the temporary assignment of any judge to a court other than that for which ~~he~~ was selected, is hereby vested in the Supreme Court and shall be exercised by the Chief Justice in accordance with its rules. The Supreme Court shall appoint an administrative director and staff, who shall serve at its pleasure to assist the Chief Justice in ~~his~~ administrative duties and to assist the Court on the Judiciary.

SECTION 28. 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 3 of Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 3. When sitting as a Court of Impeachment, the ~~Senate~~ Legislature shall be presided over by the Chief Justice, or if ~~he~~ the Chief Justice is absent or disqualified, then one of the Associate Justices of the Supreme Court, to be selected by it, except the Legislature shall elect one of its own members as a presiding officer in cases where all the members of ~~said~~ the court are absent or disqualified, or in cases of impeachment of any Justice of the Supreme Court, ~~then the Senate shall elect one of its~~

~~own members as a presiding officer for such purpose. The House of Representatives shall present all impeachments.~~

SECTION 29. 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 4 of Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 4. When the ~~Senate~~ Legislature is sitting as a Court of Impeachment, the ~~Senators~~ Legislators shall be on oath, or affirmation, impartially to try the party impeached, and no person shall be convicted without the concurrence of two-thirds (2/3) of the ~~Senators~~ Legislators present.

SECTION 30. 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 15 of Article X of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 15. A. Except as provided by this section, the credit of the State shall not be given, pledged, or loaned to any individual, company, corporation, or association, municipality, or political subdivision of the State, nor shall the State become an owner or stockholder in, nor make donation by gift, subscription to stock, by tax, or otherwise, to any company, association, or corporation.

B. Pursuant to authority of and subject to requirements of law and according to professional norms established nationally in similar activities, the Oklahoma Center for the Advancement of Science and Technology or its successor may be authorized to use public funds not exceeding one percent (1%) of total state appropriations for the current fiscal year to promote economic development through grants or loans to individuals, companies, corporations or associations. Pursuant to authority of and subject to requirements of law and according to professional norms established nationally in similar activities, the Oklahoma Center

for the Advancement of Science and Technology or its successor may be authorized to use public funds in order to promote economic development by purchase or ownership of stock or to make other investments in private enterprises and to receive income from such investments which are involved with research or patents from projects involving Oklahoma colleges or universities. The Oklahoma Center for the Advancement of Science and Technology or its successor may only use public funds for the purposes authorized in this subsection if a statute specifically authorizing such use is approved by an affirmative vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the members elected to the ~~Senate and to the House of Representatives~~ Legislature upon final passage of such measure ~~in each of the respective houses~~ and with the approval of the Governor.

C. The Legislature shall only authorize use of public funds by the Oklahoma Center for the Advancement of Science and Technology or its successor as permitted by this section for promotion of economic development by creation of new employment, enhancement of existing employment or by the addition of economic value to goods, services or resources within the State authorized by subsection B herein.

D. The Legislature shall establish procedures to review and evaluate the extent to which the purposes of any statute authorizing use of public funds by the Oklahoma Center for the Advancement of Science and Technology are achieved.

E. Bonds issued by the board of education of any school district or public institutions of higher education may be guaranteed by the corpus of the permanent school fund, provided:

1. As to bonds issued by the board of education such bonds must be approved by election of the school district upon the question of issuing such bonds;

2. As to bonds issued by an institution within The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education such bonds are issued in accordance with all applicable provisions of law; and

3. Provisions shall be made by the Legislature to guarantee prompt reimbursement to the corpus of the permanent school fund for any payment from the fund on behalf of a school district or on behalf of an institution within The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education. The reimbursement shall include a reasonable rate of interest. The provisions of this paragraph regarding use of the permanent school fund for guarantee of bonds issued by an institution within The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education shall not be self-executing and the Legislature shall provide by law the procedure pursuant to which such obligations may be guaranteed and the procedures for repayments, if any, required to be made to the permanent school fund.

F. Subject to requirements imposed by law, the governing boards of institutions within The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education and employees of those institutions may have an ownership interest in a technology, whether or not the technology is protected pursuant to federal or state law governing intellectual property, and may have an ownership interest in a business enterprise or private business entity, if the ownership interest is acquired as a result of research or development of a technology involving the authorized use of facilities, equipment, or services of such institutions.

SECTION 31. 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 23 of Article X of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 23. The ~~state~~ State shall never create or authorize the creation of any debt or obligation, or fund or pay any deficit, against the ~~state~~ State, or any department, institution or agency thereof, regardless of its form or the source of money from which it is to be paid, except as may be provided in this section and in Sections 24 and 25 of Article X of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma.

To ensure a balanced annual budget, pursuant to the limitations contained in the foregoing, procedures are herewith established as follows:

1. Not more than forty-five (45) days or less than thirty-five (35) days prior to the convening of each regular session of the Legislature, the State Board of Equalization shall certify the total amount of revenue which accrued during the last preceding fiscal year to the General Revenue Fund and to each Special Revenue Fund appropriated directly by the Legislature, and shall further certify amounts available for appropriation which shall be based on a determination, in accordance with the procedure hereinafter provided, of the revenues to be received by the ~~state~~ State under the laws in effect at the time such determination is made, for the next ensuing fiscal year, showing separately the revenues to accrue to the credit of each such fund of the ~~state~~ State appropriated directly by the Legislature.

Amounts certified as available for appropriation from each fund, as hereinbefore provided, shall be ninety-five percent (95%) of an itemized estimate made by the State Board of Equalization, which shall include all sources of revenue to each fund for the next ensuing fiscal year; provided, however, appropriated federal funds shall be certified for the full amount of the estimate. Said estimate shall consider any increase or decline in revenues that would result from predictable changes in the economy.

Legislative appropriations for any fiscal year, except for special appropriations provided for in paragraph 4, shall be limited to a sum not to exceed the total amount appropriated from all funds in the preceding fiscal year, plus twelve percent (12%), adjusted for inflation for the previous calendar year. Said limit shall be adjusted for funds not previously appropriated. The limit on the growth of appropriations shall be certified to by the State Board of Equalization.

2. Such certification shall be filed with the Governor, ~~the President and President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives~~ and the President of the Legislature. The Legislature shall not pass or enact any bill, act or measure making an appropriation of money for any purpose until such certification is made and filed, unless the State Board of Equalization has failed to file ~~said~~ the certification at the time of convening of ~~said~~ the Legislature. In such event, it shall be the duty of the Legislature to make such certification pursuant to the provisions of this section. All appropriations made in excess of such certification shall be null and void; provided, however, that the Legislature may at any regular session or special session, called for that purpose, enact laws to provide for additional revenues or a reduction in revenues, other than ad valorem taxes, or transferring the existing revenues or unappropriated cash on hand from one fund to another, or making provisions for appropriating funds not previously appropriated directly by the Legislature. Whereupon, it shall be the duty of the State Board of Equalization to make a determination of the revenues that will accrue under such laws and ninety-five percent (95%) of the amount of any increase or decrease resulting, for any reason, from such changes in laws shall be added to or deducted from the amount previously certified available for appropriation from each respective fund, as the case may be. The State Board of Equalization shall file the amount of such adjusted certification, or additional certification for funds not previously appropriated directly by the Legislature, with the Governor, and with the President ~~and President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives~~ of the Legislature, and such adjusted amount shall be the maximum amount which can be appropriated for all purposes from any such fund for the fiscal year being certified.

3. The State Board of Equalization shall meet within five (5) days after the monthly apportionment in February of each year, and at that time may adjust the certification, based upon the most current information available, and determine the amount of funds available for appropriation for that legislative session. At ~~said~~ the meeting the Board shall determine the limit on the growth of appropriations as provided for in this section.

4. Surplus funds or monies shall be any amount accruing to the General Revenue Fund of the State of Oklahoma over and above the itemized estimate made by the State Board of Equalization.

Beginning July 1, 1985, all such surplus funds or monies accruing after said date shall be placed in a Constitutional Reserve Fund by the State Treasurer until such time that the amount of said Fund equals ten percent (10%) of the General Revenue Fund certification for the preceding fiscal year. Appropriations made from said Fund shall be considered special appropriations.

Up to one-half (1/2) of the balance at the beginning of the current fiscal year in the said Fund may be appropriated for the forthcoming fiscal year, when the certification by the State Board of Equalization for said forthcoming fiscal year General Revenue Fund is less than that of the current fiscal year certification. In no event shall the amount of monies appropriated from said Reserve Fund be in excess of the difference between the two said certifications.

Up to one-half (1/2) of the balance at the beginning of the current fiscal year in the said Fund may be appropriated, upon a declaration by the Governor that emergency conditions exist, with concurrence of the Legislature by a two-thirds (2/3) vote ~~of the House of Representatives and Senate~~ for the appropriation; or said one-half (1/2) could be appropriated upon a ~~joint~~ declaration of emergency conditions by the ~~Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate~~ President of the

Legislature, with a concurrence of a three-fourths (3/4) vote of the ~~House of Representatives and Senate~~ members of the Legislature.

5. That portion of every appropriation, at the end of each fiscal year, in excess of actual revenues collected and allocated thereto, as hereinafter provided, shall be null and void. Revenues deposited in the State Treasury to the credit of the General Revenue Fund or of any special fund (which derives its revenue in whole or in part from state taxes or fees) shall, except as to principal and interest on the public debt, be allocated monthly to each department, institution, board, commission or special appropriation on a percentage basis, in that ratio that the total appropriation for such department, institution, board, commission or special appropriation from each fund for that fiscal year bears to the total of all appropriations from each fund for that fiscal year, and no warrant shall be issued in excess of said allocation. Any department, institution or agency of the ~~state~~ State operating on revenues derived from any law or laws which allocate the revenues thereof to such department, institution or agency shall not incur obligations in excess of the unencumbered balance of cash on hand.

6. The Legislature shall provide a method whereby appropriations shall be divided and set up on a monthly, quarterly or semiannual basis within each fiscal year to prevent obligations being incurred in excess of the revenue to be collected, and notwithstanding other provisions of this Constitution, the Legislature shall provide that all appropriations shall be reduced to bring them within revenues actually collected, but all such reductions shall apply to each department, institution, board, commission or special appropriation made by the State Legislature in the ratio that its total appropriation for that fiscal year bears to the total of all appropriations from that fund for that fiscal year; provided, however, ~~that~~ the Governor ~~may in his~~ has the discretion to issue deficiency certificates to the State Treasurer for the

benefit of any department, institution or agency of the ~~state~~ State, if the amount of such deficiency certificates be within the limit of the current appropriation for that department, institution or agency, whereupon the State Treasurer shall issue warrants to the extent of such certificates for the payment of such claims as may be authorized by the Governor, and such warrants shall become a part of the public debt and shall be paid out of any money appropriated by the Legislature and made lawfully available therefor; provided further, that in no event shall said deficiency certificates exceed in the aggregate the sum of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) in any fiscal year.

~~Upon the approval by the people of this state of the amendment to this section contained in House Joint Resolution No. 1005 of the 1st Session of the 40th Legislature, the State Board of Equalization shall meet to recertify the amount of revenue available for appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1986.~~

SECTION 32. 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 8 of Article XIII of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 8. The government of the University of Oklahoma shall be vested in a Board of Regents consisting of seven (7) members to be appointed by the Governor by and with the advice and consent of the ~~Senate~~ Legislature. The term of ~~said~~ the members shall be for seven (7) years, ~~except and provided that the appointed members of the Board of Regents in office at the time of the adoption of this amendment as now provided by law shall continue in office during the term for which they were appointed, and thereafter as provided herein.~~

Appointments for filling vacancies occurring on ~~said~~ the Board shall be made by the Governor with advice and consent of the ~~Senate~~

Legislature, and ~~said~~ appointments to fill vacancies shall be for the residue of the term only.

Members of the Board of Regents of the University of Oklahoma shall be subject to removal from office only as provided by law for the removal of elective officers not liable to impeachment.

SECTION 33. 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 2 of Article XIII-A of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 2. There is hereby established the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, consisting of nine (9) members, whose qualifications may be prescribed by law. The Board shall consist of nine (9) members appointed by the Governor, confirmed by the ~~Senate~~ Legislature, and who shall be removable only for cause, as provided by law for the removal of officers not subject to impeachment. ~~Upon the taking effect of this Article, the Governor shall appoint the said Regents for terms of office as follows: one for a term of one year, one for a term of two years, one for a term of three years, one for a term of four years, one for a term of five years, one for a term of six years, one for a term of seven years, one for a term of eight years, and one for a term of nine years.~~ Any appointment to fill a vacancy shall be for the balance of the term only. ~~Except as above designated, the~~ The term of office of said Regents shall be nine (9) years or until their successors are appointed and qualified.

The Regents shall constitute a co-ordinating board of control for all State institutions described in Section 1 ~~hereof~~ of this Article, with the following specific powers: (1) it shall prescribe standards of higher education applicable to each institution; (2) it shall determine the functions and courses of study in each of the institutions to conform to the standards prescribed; (3) it shall grant degrees and other forms of academic recognition for completion

of the prescribed courses in all of such institutions; (4) it shall recommend to the State Legislature the budget allocations to each institution, and; (5) it shall have the power to recommend to the Legislature proposed fees for all of such institutions, and any such fees shall be effective only within the limits prescribed by the Legislature.

SECTION 34. 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 1 of Article XIII-B of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby created a Board to be known as the Board of Regents of Oklahoma Colleges, and shall consist of nine (9) members to be appointed by the Governor, by and with the consent of the ~~Senate~~ Legislature. The Governor shall appoint ~~one (1) member to serve for one (1) year, one (1) member to serve for two (2) years, one (1) member to serve for three (3) years, one (1) member to serve for four (4) years, one (1) member to serve for five (5) years, one (1) member to serve for six (6) years, one (1) member to serve for seven (7) years, one (1) member to serve for eight (8) years, and one (1) member to serve for nine (9) years.~~ Provided that one (1) member shall come from each Congressional District as the same are defined by 14 O.S. 1941, Section 1, and the ninth (9th) member shall be the State Superintendent of Public Instruction. Their successors shall be appointed for a term of nine (9) years, and ~~such~~ appointments shall be made within ninety (90) days after the term expires. Vacancies shall be filled by the Governor within ninety (90) days after the vacancy occurs. Each member of the Board, except the State Superintendent, shall receive as compensation the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) ~~Dollars~~ per day, not to exceed sixty (60) days in any fiscal year while ~~he~~ the member is actually engaged in the performance of duties, and ~~he~~ shall also be allowed the necessary travel expenses as approved by the Board and

paid in the manner provided by law. The Board shall elect a president and vice-president who shall perform such duties as the Board directs. No executive board meetings shall be held at any time unless ~~such~~ the executive session is ordered by a unanimous vote of the Board. The personnel of the Board of Regents of the Oklahoma Colleges shall not include more than two (2) members from any one profession, vocation, or occupation. No member of the Board shall be eligible to be an officer, supervisor, president, instructor, or employee of any of the colleges set forth herein within two (2) years from the date of expiration of ~~his~~ the member's term. ~~Any~~ The office of any member who fails to attend ~~a board meeting~~ more than two (2) consecutive board meetings without the consent of a majority of the Board, ~~his office~~ shall be declared vacant by the Governor, and ~~his~~ the member's successor shall be appointed as provided herein.

SECTION 35. 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 1 of Article XIV of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 1. General laws shall be enacted by the ~~legislature~~ Legislature providing for the creation of a Banking Department, to be under the control of a Bank Commissioner, who shall be appointed by the Governor for a term of four (4) years, by and with the consent of the ~~Senate~~ Legislature, with sufficient power and authority to regulate and control all State Banks, Loan, Trust and Guaranty Companies, under laws which shall provide for the protection of depositors and individual stockholders.

SECTION 36. 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 2 of Article XV of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 2. The ~~foregoing~~ oath of public officers shall be administered by some person authorized to administer oaths, and in the case of State officers and judges of the Supreme Court, shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of State, and in case of other judicial and county officers, in the office of the clerk of the county in which the same is taken; ~~any.~~ Any person refusing to take ~~said~~ oath of public office, or affirmation, shall forfeit ~~his~~ the office, and any person who shall have been convicted of having sworn or affirmed falsely, or having violated said oath, or affirmation, shall be guilty of perjury, and shall be disqualified from holding any office of trust or profit within the State. The oath to members of the ~~Senate and House of Representatives~~ Legislature shall be administered in the ~~hall of the house to which the members shall have been elected~~ legislative chamber, by one of the judges of the Supreme Court, or in case no such judge is present, then by any person authorized to administer oaths.

SECTION 37. 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 1 of Article XXVI of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby created a Department of Wildlife Conservation of the State of Oklahoma and an Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Commission. The Department of Wildlife Conservation shall be governed by the Wildlife Conservation Director, hereinafter created, under such rules, regulations and policies as may be prescribed from time to time by the Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Commission. Such rules and regulations and amendments thereof shall be filed and recorded in the office of the Secretary of State, and shall become effective on the tenth ~~(10th)~~ day following such filing.

~~Said~~ The Commission shall be composed of eight (8) members to be appointed by the Governor by and with the consent of the ~~Senate~~

Legislature and shall be removable only for cause, as provided by law for the removal of officers not subject to impeachment; one (1) member from each of eight ~~(8)~~ districts as the same are presently defined by Title 29 O.S. 1951, Section 104. The term of office of each ~~such~~ member shall be eight (8) years, ~~except that the first appointed members shall hold office for terms as follows: the member appointed from the first district shall hold office until July 1st following his appointment, and the members appointed from the second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth districts shall hold office until July 1st of the second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth succeeding calendar years, respectively~~ and shall expire on June 30 of the eighth year. In the event the Governor fails to fill a vacancy within thirty (30) days following ~~such~~ the vacancy, the remaining members of the Commission may appoint a qualified person to fill ~~such~~ the vacancy for the unexpired portion of the term.

The members of the Commission shall receive no salary or other compensation for their services, other than per diem and expenses as may be authorized by the Legislature.

Each member of the Commission shall take the oaths required of other State officers, and each shall execute a good and sufficient corporate surety bond in the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) payable to the State of Oklahoma, and conditioned upon the faithful performance of duty, and the premium thereon shall be payable by the State.

SECTION 38. 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 1 of Article XXVIII of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby created the Alcoholic Beverage Laws Enforcement Commission. The purpose of the Commission shall be to enforce the alcoholic beverage laws of the State, and the Commission

shall have such power and authority to enforce such laws, rules and regulations as shall be prescribed by the Legislature.

The Commission shall consist of seven (7) members, to be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the ~~State Senate~~ Legislature. Five ~~(5)~~ of the members shall be at-large members representing the lay citizenry. The remaining two ~~(2)~~ members shall be persons with law enforcement experience in the State. Any time there is a vacancy on the Commission the Governor shall appoint a replacement, with the advice and consent of the ~~State Senate~~ Legislature, within ninety (90) days. Members of the Commission shall be appointed for a term of five (5) years. The Commission shall appoint a Director, whose duties shall be defined by the Legislature. No more than four ~~(4)~~ members of the Commission shall be appointed from the same political party. No more than two ~~(2)~~ members of the Commission shall be appointed from the same federal congressional district.

No member of the Commission shall hold any license authorized by this Article, or have any interest in any capacity, in the manufacture, sale, distribution or transportation of alcoholic beverages.

The members of the Commission shall be removable from office for cause as other officers not subject to impeachment.

SECTION 39. 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 1 of Article XXIX of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 1. Ethics Commission - Appointments - Qualifications - Terms - Vacancies - Quorum. A. There is hereby created the Ethics Commission which shall consist of five (5) members. The Governor, Attorney General, ~~President Pro Tempore of the Senate, Speaker of the House of Representatives,~~ and Chief Justice of the Supreme Court shall each appoint ~~a~~ one person and the President of the Legislature

~~shall appoint two people who is a are registered voter voters of this State to the Commission. The initial terms of the Governor's and Attorney General's appointees shall be one year; the initial terms of the President Pro Tempore's and Speaker's appointees shall be three years, and the initial term of the Chief Justice's appointee shall be five years.~~

B. No congressional district shall be represented by more than one Commissioner, and no more than three persons of the same political registration shall serve on the Ethics Commission at the same time.

C. ~~After the initial terms, members~~ Members of the Ethics Commission shall serve terms of five (5) years. No person shall be appointed to the Commission more than two times in succession, except the initial members who serve less than five-year terms may be appointed three times in succession. A vacancy on the Commission shall be filled for the remainder of the unexpired term by the appointing authority.

D. The members of the Commission shall choose a chair from among themselves.

E. The term of office for a Commissioner shall commence at noon on the second Monday in July.

F. No member of the Ethics Commission shall be eligible for elected office for two (2) years after completing his or her term.

G. A majority of the members serving shall constitute a quorum.

SECTION 40. The Secretary of State shall refer to the people for their approval or rejection, as and in the manner provided by law, the repeal of Sections 9A, 10A, 17, 28 and 29 of Article V and Section 1.A of Article XXVIII of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma which relate to apportionment of the State into Senate and House districts, qualifications for office, election of presiding officers and members of standing committees, and the abolished Alcoholic Beverage Control Board.

SECTION 41. Sections 1 and 3 through 40 of this resolution shall become effective January 1, 2003, upon approval of the people at the next general election.

SECTION 42. Section 2 of this resolution shall become effective upon approval of the people at the next general election.

SECTION 43. The Ballot Title for the proposed Constitutional amendment as set forth in SECTIONS 1 through 42 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 would amend the Constitution. It would change the organization of the Legislature. It would replace the two chambers of the Legislature with one chamber. This change would be effective on January 1, 2003. It would make the Lieutenant Governor the President of the Legislature. It would allow the Legislature to provide by law for replacement of its President in certain situations. It would replace the Senate and House districts with seventy-four new districts. It would require the Legislature to enact laws to create these new districts. Elections for these districts would be held in November 2002. Legislators would serve terms of four years. They would have to be twenty-one years of age when they were elected. They would have to be qualified electors in their districts. They would have to live in their districts while serving in the Legislature. This measure changes other provisions of the Constitution to conform to these changes. This measure repeals sections of the Constitution that are obsolete or replaced by these changes.

SHALL THIS AMENDMENT BE APPROVED BY THE PEOPLE?

YES, FOR THE AMENDMENT

NO, AGAINST THE AMENDMENT

SECTION 44. The President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall, immediately after the passage of this resolution, prepare and file one copy thereof, including the Ballot Title set forth in SECTION 43 hereof, with the Secretary of State and one copy with the Attorney General.

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