

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, March 4, 2008

House Joint Resolution No. 1065

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1065 - By: WINCHESTER AND DORMAN of the House and SPARKS of the Senate.

An Act directing the Secretary of State to refer to the people for their approval or rejection a proposed amendment to the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma by adding a new Section 55A to Article X; authorizing Contingency Review Board to act upon requests related to monies contained in the Oklahoma Opportunity Fund; authorizing Contingency Review Board to act notwithstanding certain provisions of the Oklahoma Constitution; providing ballot title; and directing filing.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 51ST OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

1 SECTION 1. The Secretary of State shall refer to the people for their approval or
2 rejection, as and in the manner provided by law, the following proposed amendment to
3 the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma by adding a new Section 55A to Article V
4 thereof, to read as follows:

5 Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 1 of Article IV of the Oklahoma
6 Constitution or any other provision of the Oklahoma Constitution that would otherwise
7 prohibit it, the Contingency Review Board, which shall be comprised of the Governor, the
8 President Pro Tempore of the State Senate and the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of

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1 Representatives, shall be authorized to act upon requests for funding from the Oklahoma
2 Opportunity Fund in the manner prescribed by law for approval of such requests.

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

5 **BALLOT TITLE**

6 Legislative Referendum No. _____ State Question No. _____

7 **THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:**

8 This measure amends the Oklahoma Constitution. It would add a new Section 55A
9 to Article 5. Oklahoma has a special fund. The fund is known as the Opportunity
10 Fund. Monies in the fund can be used as an incentive. The monies can be used to
11 attract business to the state. A three member board must agree to
12 spend money from this fund. This board is known as the Contingency Review
13 Board. It consists of the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the State Senate
14 and the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives. This change in the
15 Oklahoma Constitution would make it clear that the Board is authorized to make
16 decisions about spending money from the Opportunity Fund.

17 **SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?**

18 **FOR THE PROPOSAL — YES** _____

19 **AGAINST THE PROPOSAL — NO** _____

20 SECTION 3. The Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, immediately after
21 the passage of this resolution, shall prepare and file one copy thereof, including the

UNDERLINED language denotes Amendments to present Statutes.
BOLD FACE CAPITALIZED language denotes Committee Amendments.
~~Strike thru~~ language denotes deletion from present Statutes.

- 1 Ballot Title set forth in SECTION 2 hereof, with the Secretary of State and one copy with
- 2 the Attorney General.
- 3 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON RULES, dated 03-03-08 - DO PASS, As
- 4 Coauthored.