

SJR 44

1 THE STATE SENATE
2 Monday, February 25, 2008

3 Senate Joint
4 Resolution No. 44
5 As Amended

6 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 44 - By: LERBLANCE of the Senate and
7 HARRISON of the House.

8 [constitutional amendment - adding new section authorizing
9 Legislature to enact certain laws - prohibiting exemptions
10 for certain years - ballot title - filing]

11 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
12 2ND SESSION OF THE 51ST OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

13 SECTION 1. The Secretary of State shall refer to the people for
14 their approval or rejection, as and in the manner provided by law,
15 the following proposed amendment to Article X of the Constitution of
16 the State of Oklahoma by adding a new Section 22A to read as
17 follows:

18 Section 22A. Where such authority is not provided in Article X
19 of the Oklahoma Constitution, the Legislature may enact laws
20 governing the procedures for making application to the county
21 assessor for purposes of the exemptions authorized pursuant to
22 Article X of the Oklahoma Constitution, including the time as of
23 which the application must be filed and information to be included
24 with the application; provided, no person, firm, corporation or

1 other legal entity shall be granted an ad valorem exemption pursuant
2 to Article X of the Oklahoma Constitution for any year or years
3 prior to the filing of the original application for exemption by
4 such person, firm, corporation or other legal entity.

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

8 BALLOT TITLE
9 Legislative Referendum No. _____ State Question No. _____

10 THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

11 This measure amends the Oklahoma Constitution. It adds a new
12 Section 22A to Article 10. The new section relates to ad
13 valorem property tax exemptions. It allows the Legislature to
14 enact certain laws. Those are laws governing the procedures for
15 applying for the exemptions. It does not cover exemptions where
16 legislative authority currently exists. It also prohibits
17 certain exemptions from being granted. Those are exemptions
18 which are for any year before the original exemption was
19 granted.

20 SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?

21 FOR THE PROPOSAL — YES _____

22 AGAINST THE PROPOSAL — NO _____

1 SECTION 3. The President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall,
2 immediately after the passage of this resolution, prepare and file
3 one copy thereof, including the Ballot Title set forth in SECTION 2
4 hereof, with the Secretary of State and one copy with the Attorney
5 General.

6 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, dated 2-19-08 - DO PASS,
7 As Amended and Coauthored.