

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE
JOINT
2 RESOLUTION NO. 1014

By: Osborn, Enns, Reynolds,
Martin (Steve) and Tibbs of
3 the House

4 and

5 Lamb of the Senate

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9 A Joint Resolution directing the Secretary of State
to refer to the people for their approval or
10 rejection a proposed amendment to the Constitution of
the State of Oklahoma by adding a new Section 55A to
11 Article V; prohibiting restrictions on certain powers
of Legislature; providing expenditures not required
12 based upon certain predetermined basis or by
reference to expenditures of other government or
13 other entities; providing ballot title; and directing
filing.

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16 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE OF THE
17 1ST SESSION OF THE 52ND OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

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

23 Section 55A. Notwithstanding any other provision of the
24 Oklahoma Constitution to the contrary, whether such provision is in

1 effect prior to, simultaneously with or after the provisions of this
2 section shall become adopted, the Legislature shall not be required
3 to make expenditures for any function of government using a
4 predetermined formula of any kind or by reference to the expenditure
5 levels of any other state government or any other entity.

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

9 BALLOT TITLE

10 Legislative Referendum No. _____ State Question No. _____

11 THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

12 This measure amends the Oklahoma Constitution. It would add a
13 new Section 55A to Article 5. It relates to the state budget.
14 It relates to the ability of the Legislature to spend money each
15 year. It would allow the Legislature to make decisions about the
16 state budget. The Legislature would be able to decide how much
17 money to spend each year. The Legislature would not be required
18 to spend a certain amount of money for any one government
19 service or function. If this amendment is adopted, the Oklahoma
20 Constitution could not require the Legislature to do this. If
21 this amendment is adopted, the Oklahoma Constitution could not
22 require the Legislature to make spending decisions based on how
23 much money any other state spent.

24 SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?

1 FOR THE PROPOSAL - YES _____

2 AGAINST THE PROPOSAL - NO _____

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

8 Passed the House of Representatives the 4th day of March, 2009.

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Presiding Officer of the House of
Representatives

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13 Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 2009.

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