

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE  
JOINT  
2 RESOLUTION NO. 1021

By: Trebilcock of the House

3 and

4 Anderson of the Senate  
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7 An Act directing the Secretary of State to refer to  
8 the people for their approval or rejection a proposed  
9 amendment to Section 26 of Article V of the  
10 Constitution of the State of Oklahoma; modifying the  
11 date for the first day of the first year of a  
legislative session; modifying purposes for meeting  
on the first day of the first year of a legislative  
session; providing ballot title; and directing  
filing.

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13 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE OF THE  
14 1ST SESSION OF THE 52ND OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

15 SECTION 1. The Secretary of State shall refer to the people for  
16 their approval or rejection, as and in the manner provided by law,  
17 the following proposed amendment to Section 26 of Article V of the  
18 Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

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

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1 The Legislature shall also meet in regular session at the seat  
2 of government on the ~~first Tuesday after the first Monday in January~~  
3 fifteenth day following the General Election of each ~~odd~~ even-  
4 numbered year, beginning at twelve o'clock noon for the purposes  
5 only of taking the oath of office, performing the duties as required  
6 by Section 5 of Article VI of the Constitution and organizing  
7 pursuant to the provisions of this Article and shall recess not  
8 later than five o'clock p.m. of that same day until the following  
9 first Monday in February of the ~~same~~ next year, beginning at twelve  
10 o'clock noon.

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

14 BALLOT TITLE  
15 Legislative Referendum No. \_\_\_\_\_ State Question No. \_\_\_\_\_

16 THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

17 This measure amends the Oklahoma Constitution. It changes when  
18 the Legislature meets after the elections to organize.

19 Currently, the Legislature meets in November to be sworn into  
20 office. Then, they meet in January to organize. This measure  
21 would have them meet only once for both organizing and being  
22 sworn in.

23 SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?

24 FOR THE PROPOSAL - YES \_\_\_\_\_

