

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE
JOINT
2 RESOLUTION NO. 1003

By: Grau, O'Donnell, Quinn and
Casey of the House

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Holt of the Senate

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8 [Oklahoma Constitution - legislative sessions -
9 budgets - ballot title - filing]
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12 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE OF THE
13 2ND SESSION OF THE 54TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

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

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

23 B. The Legislature shall also meet in regular session at the
24 seat of government on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in

1 January of each odd numbered year, beginning at twelve o'clock noon
2 for the purposes only of performing the duties as required by
3 Section 5 of Article VI of the Constitution and organizing pursuant
4 to the provisions of this Article and shall recess not later than
5 five o'clock p.m. of that same day until the following first Monday
6 in February of the same year, beginning at twelve o'clock noon.

7 C. During each year, the Legislature may consider measures for
8 the appropriation of revenue to fund the expenses of the executive,
9 legislative, and judicial departments of the state, for the payment
10 of interest on the public debt, and such other appropriations as may
11 be authorized by the Oklahoma Constitution.

12 D. During each even-numbered year, the Legislature may consider
13 measures for the enactment of new law, the amendment or repeal of
14 existing law, referenda for modifications to the Oklahoma
15 Constitution and such measures not having the force or effect of law
16 as may be provided by the rules of the respective chambers of the
17 Legislature.

18 E. Upon an affirmative vote of three-fourths (3/4) of the
19 members of each chamber of the Legislature, the types of measures
20 enumerated in subsection D of this section may be introduced and
21 considered during an odd-numbered year.

22 F. The changes made to this section pursuant to this amendment
23 shall become effective January 1, 2015.

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

4 BALLOT TITLE

5 Legislative Referendum No. _____ State Question No. _____

6 THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

7 This measure amends the Oklahoma Constitution. It amends
8 Section 26 of Article 5. It would allow the Legislature to
9 prepare the budget every year. The Legislature could consider
10 all other types of legislation in even-numbered years. The
11 Legislature, by 3/4 vote of each chamber, could consider
12 nonappropriation measures in odd-numbered years. This amendment
13 would become effective on January 1, 2015.

14 SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?

15 FOR THE PROPOSAL - YES _____

16 AGAINST THE PROPOSAL - NO _____

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

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1 Passed the House of Representatives the 13th day of March, 2014.

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4 Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

5 Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 2014.

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9 Presiding Officer of the Senate