

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

2 April 2, 2014

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
4 FOR ENGROSSED
5 HOUSE JOINT
6 RESOLUTION NO. 1006

7 By: Biggs, McPeak, Hulbert,
8 Johnson, Sanders, Smalley,
9 Echols, Jackson, McNiel,
10 Armes, McBride, Newell,
11 McDaniel (Curtis),
12 Lockhart, Cockroft, Denney,
13 DeWitt, O'Donnell, Osborn,
14 McCall, Casey, Sherrer,
15 Martin (Steve), Russ,
16 Blackwell and Ortega of the
17 House

18 and

19 Fields of the Senate

20 [Joint Resolution - amendment to the Constitution -
21 right to engage in certain farming and ranching
22 practices - ballot title - filing]

23 ~~BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE OF THE~~
24 ~~2ND SESSION OF THE 54TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:~~

SECTION 1. The Secretary of State shall refer to the people for
their approval or rejection, as and in the manner provided by law,
the following proposed amendment to the Constitution of the State of
Oklahoma by adding a new Section 38 to Article II thereof, to read
as follows:

1 Section 38. To protect agriculture as a vital sector of
2 Oklahoma's economy, which provides food, energy, health benefits,
3 and security and is the foundation and stabilizing force of
4 Oklahoma's economy, the rights of farmers and ranchers to engage in
5 farming and ranching practices shall be forever guaranteed in this
6 state. The Legislature shall pass no law which abridges the right
7 of farmers and ranchers to employ agricultural technology and
8 livestock production and ranching practices.

9 Nothing in this section shall be construed to modify any
10 provision of common law or statutes relating to trespass, eminent
11 domain, or any other property rights.

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

15 BALLOT TITLE

16 Legislative Referendum No. ____ State Question No. ____

17 THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

18 This measure adds a new section of law to the State
19 Constitution. It adds Section 38 to Article 2. It protects the
20 rights of farmers and ranchers to engage in farming and ranching
21 practices. It prohibits the Legislature from passing laws that
22 would take away the right to employ agricultural technology and
23 livestock production and ranching practices. It provides for
24 interpretation of the section.

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SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?

FOR THE PROPOSAL - YES _____

AGAINST THE PROPOSAL - NO _____

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

COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON RULES
April 2, 2014 - DO PASS AS AMENDED