

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 54th Legislature (2013)

3 HOUSE JOINT
4 RESOLUTION 1006

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7 AS INTRODUCED

8 A Joint Resolution directing the Secretary of State
9 to refer to the people for their approval or
10 rejection a proposed amendment to the Constitution of
11 the State of Oklahoma by adding a new Section 38 to
12 Article II; guaranteeing the right to engage in
13 certain farming and ranching practices; prohibiting
14 Legislature from passing certain laws; providing
15 ballot title; and directing filing.

16 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE OF THE
17 1ST SESSION OF THE 54TH 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 38 to Article II thereof, to read
22 as follows:

23 Section 38. To protect agriculture as a vital sector of
24 Oklahoma's economy, which provides food, energy, health benefits,
and security and is the foundation and stabilizing force of

1 Oklahoma's economy, the rights of farmers and ranchers to engage in
2 modern farming and ranching practices shall be forever guaranteed in
3 this state. The Legislature shall pass no law which abridges the
4 right of farmers and ranchers to employ agricultural technology and
5 modern livestock production and ranching practices.

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 adds a new section of law to the State
13 Constitution. It adds Section 38 to Article 2. It protects the
14 rights of farmers and ranchers to engage in modern farming and
15 ranching practices. It prohibits the Legislature from passing
16 laws that would take away the right to employ agricultural
17 technology and modern livestock production.

18 SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?

19 FOR THE PROPOSAL - YES _____

20 AGAINST THE PROPOSAL - NO _____

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

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