

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

3 HOUSE JOINT  
4 RESOLUTION 1043

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6 AS INTRODUCED

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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 Section 10 of  
11 Article X of the Constitution of the State of  
12 Oklahoma; raising the millage limit on building fund  
13 levies for schools; requiring separate ballot for  
14 additional levies for building funds; stating purpose  
15 of the additional mill; providing ballot title; and  
16 directing filing.

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19 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE OF THE  
20 1ST SESSION OF THE 54TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

21 SECTION 1. The Secretary of State shall refer to the people for  
22 their approval or rejection, as and in the manner provided by law,  
23 the following proposed amendment to Section 10 of Article X of the  
24 Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

Section 10. A. For the purpose of erecting public buildings in  
counties or cities, or for the purpose of raising money for a  
building fund for a school district which may be used for erecting,  
remodeling or repairing school buildings, and for purchasing  
furniture, the rates of taxation herein limited may be increased,

1 when the rate of such increase and the purpose for which it is  
2 intended shall have been submitted to a vote of the people, and a  
3 majority of the qualified voters of such county, city, or school  
4 district, voting at such election, shall vote therefor: Provided,  
5 that such increase shall not exceed five (5) mills on the dollar of  
6 the assessed value of the taxable property in such county, city, or  
7 school district.

8 B. A school district may upon approval by a majority of the  
9 electors of the district voting on the question make the ad valorem  
10 levy for a building fund under subsection A of this section  
11 permanent. If the question is approved, the levy in the amount  
12 approved as required by this section, shall be made each fiscal year  
13 thereafter until such time as a majority of the electors of the  
14 district voting on the question rescind the making of the levy  
15 permanent. An election on such question shall be held at such time  
16 as a petition is signed by ten percent (10%) of the school district  
17 electors or a recommendation by the board of education of the school  
18 district is made asking that the levies be made each fiscal year.

19 C. In addition to the amount set forth in subsection A of this  
20 section, the rate of taxation for the building fund for a school  
21 district may be increased by an additional amount not to exceed one  
22 (1) mill on the dollar of assessed value of the taxable property in  
23 the school district upon approval of the question, submitted on a  
24 ballot separate from the ballot submitted for approval of the first

1 five (5) mills, by a majority of the qualified voters in the school  
2 district voting at such election. The additional one (1) mill shall  
3 be for the purpose of providing for school security.

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

7 BALLOT TITLE

8 Legislative Referendum No. \_\_\_\_\_ State Question No. \_\_\_\_\_

9 THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

10 This measure amends Section 10 of Article 10 of the  
11 State Constitution. It raises the cap on the number of  
12 mills the voters in a school district can approve for  
13 building fund levies for the school district. The cap  
14 is now 5 mills on each dollar of assessed value of  
15 taxable property in the district. This measure would  
16 raise the cap to 6 mills. Any vote to approve more  
17 than the 5 mills would have to be on a ballot that is  
18 separate from the ballot used for the vote on the first  
19 5 mills. The additional 1 mill must be used for school  
20 security purposes.

21 SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?

22 FOR THE PROPOSAL - YES \_\_\_\_\_

23 AGAINST THE PROPOSAL - NO \_\_\_\_\_

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

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