

1 ENGROSSED SENATE AMENDMENTS  
TO  
2 ENGROSSED HOUSE  
JOINT

3 RESOLUTION NO. 1012

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

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16 AUTHORS: Add the following House coauthors: McBride, Sanders,  
Hall, Cockroft and Echols

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18 AMENDMENT NO. 1. Page 2, line 9, after the word "domain" and before  
the word "or" insert the words "dominance of  
19 mineral interests, easements, rights of way"

20 AMENDMENT NO. 2. Page 2, line 9, after the word "rights." add the  
words "Nothing in this section shall be construed  
21 to modify or affect any statute or ordinance  
enacted by the Legislature or any political  
22 subdivision prior to December 31, 2014."



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17 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE OF THE  
18 1ST SESSION OF THE 55TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

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

24 Section 38. To protect agriculture as a vital sector of  
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 citizens and lawful residents of  
2 Oklahoma to engage in farming and ranching practices shall be  
3 forever guaranteed in this state. The Legislature shall pass no law  
4 which abridges the right of citizens and lawful residents of  
5 Oklahoma to employ agricultural technology and livestock production  
6 and ranching practices without a compelling state interest.

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

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

13 BALLOT TITLE

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

15 THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

16 This measure adds a new section of law to the State  
17 Constitution. It adds Section 38 to Article 2. It protects the  
18 rights of citizens and lawful residents of Oklahoma to engage in  
19 farming and ranching practices. It prohibits the Legislature  
20 from passing laws that would take away the right to employ  
21 agricultural technology and livestock production without a  
22 compelling state interest. It provides for interpretation of  
23 the section.

24 SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?

1 FOR THE PROPOSAL - YES \_\_\_\_\_

2 AGAINST THE PROPOSAL - NO \_\_\_\_\_

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

8 Passed the House of Representatives the 10th day of March, 2015.

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11 Presiding Officer of the House  
of Representatives

12 Passed the Senate the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015.

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