

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE JOINT
RESOLUTION 1050

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AS INTRODUCED

A Joint Resolution directing the Secretary of State to refer to the people for their approval or rejection a proposed amendment to the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma by adding a new Section 5 to Article XXVI; providing for levy of additional sales tax; specifying rate of tax; providing for apportionment of proceeds of sales tax levy; restricting use of proceeds; prohibiting appropriation and other transfers; requiring modification of fee schedules for resident hunting and fishing licenses; prohibiting sale of certain hunting and other lands; requiring acquisition of additional public lands for hunting, fishing and other recreational purposes; providing ballot title; and directing filing.

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 5 to Article XXVI thereof, to read as follows:

A. There shall be imposed a consumer sales tax on the sale of all tangible personal property or services subject to the consumer

1 sales tax in force and effect as of the date this section becomes
2 effective as law at the rate of one-quarter of one cent (\$.0025).

3 B. The proceeds from the levy authorized by subsection A of
4 this section shall be apportioned directly to the Oklahoma
5 Department of Wildlife Conservation. The proceeds from the levy
6 shall not be subject to legislative appropriation or modification,
7 transfer, interception or any other method by which the revenues
8 would be diverted from the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife
9 Conservation.

10 C. The Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation shall
11 modify its fee schedule so that the maximum amount payable by any
12 resident of the State of Oklahoma for a combined fishing and hunting
13 license does not exceed Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) per person annually.

14 D. The Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation shall not
15 sell any public hunting lands owned by the Department as of the
16 effective date of this section.

17 E. The Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation shall use a
18 portion of the revenues derived from the levy authorized by
19 subsection A of this section to acquire additional lands for public
20 hunting, fishing and other recreational activity.

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

24 BALLOT TITLE

1 Legislative Referendum No. _____ State Question No. _____

2 THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

3 This measure amends the Oklahoma Constitution. It would add a
4 new Section 5 to Article 26. It would impose a new sales tax
5 levy. The levy would be one-quarter of one cent (\$0.0025).
6 Proceeds from this levy would be sent directly to the Oklahoma
7 Department of Wildlife Conservation. The Wildlife Department
8 would be required to modify its fees for hunting and fishing
9 licenses. No person would be required to pay more than Fifty
10 Dollars (\$50.00) per year for both a hunting and fishing
11 license. The Department would be required to use some of the
12 sales tax money to buy more public hunting and fishing areas.

13 SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?

14 FOR THE PROPOSAL — YES _____

15 AGAINST THE PROPOSAL — NO _____

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

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