

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
JOINT
2 RESOLUTION NO. 40

By: Treat of the Senate

3 and

4 Echols of the House

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7 A Joint Resolution directing the Secretary of State
8 to refer to the people for their approval or
9 rejection a proposed amendment to Section 57 of
10 Article V of the Oklahoma Constitution; broadening
11 one subject requirement for acts of the Legislature;
12 authorizing the Legislature to provide certain
13 definitions; providing ballot title; and directing
14 filing.

15 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
16 1ST SESSION OF THE 56TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

17 SECTION 1. The Secretary of State shall refer to the people for
18 their approval or rejection, as and in the manner provided by law,
19 the following proposed amendment to Section 57 of Article V of the
20 Oklahoma Constitution to read as follows:

21 Section 57. Every act of the Legislature shall embrace ~~but~~
22 either one general subject, or one comprehensive subject, which
23 shall be clearly expressed in its title, except general
24 appropriation bills, general revenue bills, and bills adopting a
code, digest, or revision of statutes; and no law shall be revived,
amended, or the provisions thereof extended or conferred, by

1 reference to its title only; but so much thereof as is revived,
2 amended, extended, or conferred shall be re-enacted and published at
3 length: Provided, That if any subject be embraced in any act
4 contrary to the provisions of this section, such act shall be void
5 only as to so much of the laws as may not be expressed in the title
6 thereof.

7 The Legislature may make provisions for defining a comprehensive
8 subject.

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

12 BALLOT TITLE

13 Legislative Referendum No. _____ State Question No. _____

14 THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

15 This measure amends the State Constitution. It amends Section
16 57 of Article 5. The change allows an act of the Legislature to
17 include a subject that is also more comprehensive. It also
18 authorizes the Legislature to provide any additional law to
19 define a comprehensive subject.

20 SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?

21 FOR THE PROPOSAL — YES _____

22 AGAINST THE PROPOSAL — NO _____

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SECTION 3. The President Pro Tempore of the Senate 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.

Passed the Senate the 21st day of March, 2017.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,
2017.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives