

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 58th Legislature (2022)

SENATE JOINT
RESOLUTION 42

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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 Oklahoma Constitution by adding a new Section 4 to Article XXIV; requiring proposed constitutional amendments or state questions to receive certain majority vote to take statewide effect; allowing proposed constitutional amendments or state questions to take effect in only counties that approved under certain circumstances; providing ballot title; and directing filing.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
2ND SESSION OF THE 58TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

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 Oklahoma Constitution by adding a new Section 4 to Article XXIV to read as follows:

Section 4. A. No amendment to the Oklahoma Constitution or other state question that removes a right of the residents of this state shall take effect statewide unless:

1 1. A majority of electors statewide vote in favor of the
2 proposed amendment or state question; and

3 2. A majority of electors in three-fourths of all counties in
4 this state vote in favor of the proposed amendment or state
5 question.

6 B. An amendment to the Oklahoma Constitution or other state
7 question that removes a right of the residents of this state that
8 receives a majority of electors pursuant to paragraph 1 of
9 subsection A of this section, but does not receive a majority of
10 electors pursuant to paragraph 2 of subsection A of this section
11 shall take effect only in such counties where a majority of electors
12 voted in favor of the proposed amendment or state question.

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

16 BALLOT TITLE

17 Legislative Referendum No. _____ State Question No. _____

18 THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

19 This measure would create a new Section 4 of Article 24 of the
20 Oklahoma Constitution. The measure would require a proposed
21 constitutional amendment or state question that removes a right
22 of residents of this state to receive a majority vote of
23 electors statewide and a majority vote of electors in three-
24 fourths of the counties to take effect statewide. The measure

1 would require a proposed amendment or state question that
2 received a majority vote of electors statewide but not in three-
3 fourths of the counties to only take effect in counties in which
4 the proposed amendment or state question received a majority
5 vote of electors in that county.

6 SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?

7 FOR THE PROPOSAL — YES _____

8 AGAINST THE PROPOSAL — NO _____

9 SECTION 3. The President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall,
10 immediately after the passage of this resolution, prepare and file
11 one copy thereof, including the Ballot Title set forth in SECTION 2
12 hereof, with the Secretary of State and one copy with the Attorney
13 General.

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