

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE JOINT
RESOLUTION 1058

By: Osburn

AS INTRODUCED

A Joint Resolution directing the Secretary of State to refer to the people for their approval or rejection a proposed amendment to Section 10 of Article X of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma; modifying authorized expenditures from school district building fund to school district building and operations fund; providing for voter approval; providing ballot title; and directing filing.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE OF THE
2ND SESSION OF THE 60TH 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 Section 10 of Article X of the 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 and operations fund for a school district which may be used

1 for erecting, remodeling, or repairing school buildings, ~~and~~ for
2 purchasing furniture, or for operations as deemed necessary by a
3 school district, the rates of taxation herein limited may be
4 increased, when the rate of such increase and the purpose for which
5 it is intended shall have been submitted to a vote of the people,
6 and a majority of the qualified voters of such county, city, or
7 school district, voting at such election, shall vote therefor:
8 Provided, that such increase shall not exceed five (5) mills on the
9 dollar of the assessed value of the taxable property in such county,
10 city, or school district.

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

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

BALLOT TITLE

Legislative Referendum No. _____ State Question No. _____

THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

This measure would provide a means for voters to allow school districts to expand the permissible uses of ad valorem tax revenues to include school operations. The Oklahoma Constitution limits the rate of ad valorem taxation. However, it permits voters in a school district to approve an increase of up to five (5) mills (\$5.00 per \$1,000.00 of the assessed value of taxable property) over this limit for the purpose of raising money for a school district building fund. Currently, monies from this building fund may only be used to build, repair, or remodel school buildings and purchase furniture. This measure would amend the Oklahoma Constitution to permit voters to approve such a tax to be used for school operations deemed necessary by the school district, in addition to the purposes listed above.

SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?

FOR THE PROPOSAL — YES _____

AGAINST THE PROPOSAL — NO _____

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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