WARNING

"It is a felony for any one to sign an initiative or referendum petition with any name other than his own, or knowingly to sign his name more than once for the measure, or to sign such petition when he is not a legal voter."

[20 NAMES ONLY ALLOWED ON A PETITION OF THIS NATURE]

INITIATIVE PETITION

TO THE HONORABLE M. E. TRAPP,
Governor of the State of Oklahoma:

We, the undersigned citizens and legal voters of the State of Oklahoma, respectfully order that the following proposed law shall be submitted to the legal voters of the State of Oklahoma for their approval or rejection, at the next election held throughout the State, and each for himself says: I have personally signed this petition, and I am a legal voter of the State of Oklahoma; my residence and postoffice address are correctly written after my name. The time for filing this petition expires August 25, 1925. The question we herewith submit to our fellow voters is: "Shall the following proposed law be adopted?"
AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ASCERTAINING OF THE AVERAGE ADVALOREM TAX RATE IN THIS STATE AND REQUIRING THAT GROSS PRODUCTION TAX RATES SHALL CONFORM AND BE PROPORTIONATE THERETO.

Be it Enacted by the People of the State of Oklahoma:

Section 1. From and after the beginning of the first quarterly annual period following the approval of this act by the People of Oklahoma, the tax rate applied to the gross production of natural gas and to petroleum and other crude mineral oil, and collected from the producer or the royalty owner thereof shall be equal and equivalent to the average of all advalorem tax rates effective throughout the state for the preceding fiscal year, to be determined as herein provided. And the tax rate applied to asphalt and ores bearing lead, zinc, jack, or other mineral subject to a similar tax rate shall be one sixth of the average advalorem rate so determined.

Such taxes shall be collected in the same manner and for the same purposes as now provided by law, and shall also be apportioned and distributed as by law provided.

Section 2. It is hereby made the duty of the county clerk of each county in this state to report in writing to the State Examiner and Inspector within ten (10) days after the approval of this act at the polls, each and every advalorem tax rate effective in any portion of such county for the preceding fiscal year and the total assessed and equalized value of all property against which such tax rate was applied.

And it shall be the duty of the State Examiner and Inspector within thirty (30) days from the approval of this act, to compute the average advalorem tax rate of the state for all purposes for such year.

The rate which, if applied to the total assessed and equalized value of all property in this state subject to advalorem tax for any purpose for such year, would produce a sum equal to the total sum realized by applying each separate advalorem tax rate effective within this state to the equalized value of all property subject to such tax, shall be held and construed to be the average advalorem tax rate of the state for such year.

The State Examiner and Inspector shall within the said thirty (30) day period, file a written report of his findings with the State Auditor and a copy thereof with the Governor and the average advalorem tax rate so found and reported by him shall be used as the basis for determining the gross production tax rates effective from the beginning of the next quarterly period following the approval of this act until the close of such fiscal year.

During the month of June each year hereafter the Average Advalorem Tax rate for the current year shall be determined as herein provided, and such rate shall be used as a basis for Gross Production Tax Rates for the succeeding fiscal year.

Section 3. This act is supplemental to and does not repeal any portion of Section No. 9814, Compiled Oklahoma Statutes 1921, not in direct conflict with the provisions hereof. The powers and duties of the State Board of Equalization as provided in said section No. 9814 shall remain in full force and effect the same as before the adoption of this Act.

THE END.
May 23, 1935.

Hon. Geo. Short,
Attorney General,
D.U.I.T.D.S.

Dear Sir:

I am submitting herein State Question No. 139, Initiative Petition 89 with the proposed ballot title therefor for your approval.

Yours truly,

CHA AND ROBERTS
SECRETARY OF STATE

JD:
Hon. R. A. Sneed,
Secretary of State,
BUILDING.

Attention Miss Una Lee Roberts.

Dear Sir:

We return to you herewith the Proposed Ballot Title No. 138 and the file thereto attached.

It is the opinion of the Attorney General that the Title submitted herein sufficiently sets out the gist of the question initiated and is in proper form to comply with the provisions of Section 6632, Compiled Oklahoma Statutes, 1921.

Yours very truly,

FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

Assistant Attorney General.

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APPROVED IN CONFERENCE 5-29-25
Proposed Ballot Title for
State Question No. 138. Initiative Petition No. 89.

Provides method for ascertaining the average advalorem
tax rate effective for each year; same to be the basis for gross
production tax rates for the succeeding year.

Tax rate upon crude oil and natural gas to be the same
as the average advalorem rate, and the rate upon asphalt, lead,
zinc and other ores bearing similar rate, to be one sixth of the
average advalorem rate.

Such taxes to be collected, apportioned and distributed
as now provided by law.

Effective at the beginning of first quarterly annual
period after adoption.

Filed by Campbell Russell, Secretary,
State Taxpayers' Association.
Bristol Hotel
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.
May 24th, 1926.

TO THE HONORABLE STATE ELECTION BOARD,
OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA.

I, R. A. Sneed, the undersigned Secretary of State of the State of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that, on the 24th day of May, 1926, there was filed in the office of the Secretary of State, of the State of Oklahoma, Initiative Petition No. 59, State Question No. 133.

I further certify that after said Initiative Petition No. 59, State Question No. 133, was filed, I caused due and legal notice of the filing thereof to be published as required by law, and thereafter, in pursuance of said notice and pursuant to a full hearing thereon, I found that said Initiative Petition No. 59, State Question No. 133, was in all things sufficient and in compliance with the Constitution and laws of the State of Oklahoma, relating to such proceedings.

I further certify that I found 44,869 legal signatures on said petitions and that the same constituted more than eight (8) percent of the legal voters, voting at the last general election held in the State of Oklahoma and that the same was, therefore, sufficient.

I further certify that a true and correct copy of ballot title, of State Question 133, Initiative Petition No. 59, as duly filed in the office of the Secretary of State and approved by the Attorney General, is attached.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the State of Oklahoma, to be hereto attached, this the 24th day of May, 1926.

Secretary of State

[Signature]

Asst. Secretary of State

[Signature]

Rec'd: May 29, 1926

5-24-26
Sept. 20, 1926.

To His Excellency,

Hon. M. E. Trapp,
Governor of the State of Oklahoma,
Building.

I, R. A. Sneed, the undersigned Secretary of State of the State of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that, on the 28th day of May, 1926, there was filed in the office of the Secretary of State, of the State of Oklahoma, Initiative Petition No. 89, State Question No. 138.

I further certify that after said Initiative Petition No. 89, State Question No. 138, was filed, I caused due and legal notice of the filing thereof to be published as required by law, and thereafter, in pursuance of said notice and pursuant to a full hearing thereof, I found that said Initiative Petition No. 89, State Question No. 138, was in all things sufficient and in compliance with the Constitution and laws of the State of Oklahoma, relating to such proceedings.

I further certify that I found 44,869 legal signers on said petitions and that the same constituted more than eight (8) percent of the legal voters, voting at the last general election held in the state of Oklahoma and that the same was, therefore, sufficient.

I further certify that a true and correct copy of ballot title of State Question No. 138, Initiative Petition No. 89, is attached, as duly filed in the office of the Secretary of State and proved by the Attorney General.

I further certify that there is also attached hereto, a true and correct copy of the initiated bill.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be hereto attached, this the 20th day of September, 1926.

Secretary of State.