Resolution

ENROLLED SENATE
JOINT
RESOLUTION NO. 37

BY: HOWARD, INHOFE and FUNSTON of the SENATE

and

WILLIS, FORD, HIBDON, CLEVELAND, GREEN, HOOD, McCALEB, FLOYD, BRUNTON and COWAN of the HOUSE

A JOINT RESOLUTION DIRECTING THAT THE SECRETARY OF STATE REFER TO THE PEOPLE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA; AMENDING SECTIONS 1, 3, 4, 19, 20, 25 AND 32 OF ARTICLE VI, AND REPEALING SECTIONS 27 THROUGH 30 OF ARTICLE VI THEREOF; PROVIDING FOR GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE, LABOR COMMISSIONER AND CHIEF MINE INSPECTOR WITH SENATE CONSENT; PROVIDING FOR THEIR TERMS; COMBINING THE DUTIES OF THE STATE AUDITOR AND DUTIES OF THE STATE EXAMINER AND INSPECTOR IN THE OFFICE OF STATE AUDITOR AND INSPECTOR; PROVIDING FOR QUALIFICATIONS OF STATE AUDITOR AND INSPECTOR; ABOLISHING THE OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER OF CHARITIES AND CORRECTIONS; REMOVING THE SECRETARY OF STATE AND STATE AUDITOR FROM THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE LAND OFFICE AND ADDING THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR AND STATE AUDITOR AND INSPECTOR UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS; PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATE; PROVIDING BALLOT TITLE; DIRECTING FILING; AND ORDERING A SPECIAL ELECTION.

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 35TH 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 amendments of Sections 1, 3, 4, 19, 20, 25 and 32 of Article VI of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma, to read as follows:

Section 1. A. The Executive authority of the state shall be vested in a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, State Auditor and Inspector, Attorney General, State Treasurer, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Chief Mine Inspector, Commissioner of Labor, Commissioner of Insurance and other officers provided by law and this Constitution, each of whom shall keep his office and public records, books and papers at the seat of government, and shall perform such duties as may be designated in this Constitution or prescribed by law.

B. The Secretary of State, Chief Mine Inspector and the Commissioner of Labor shall be appointed by the Governor by and with the consent of the Senate for terms of four (4) years to run concurrently with the term of the Governor.

Section 3. No person shall be eligible to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, State Auditor and Inspector, Attorney General, State Treasurer or Superintendent of Public Instruction except a citizen of the United States of the age of not less than thirty-one (31) years and who shall have been ten (10) years next preceding his or her election, or appointment, a qualified elector of this state.

Section 4. The term of office of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, State Auditor and Inspector, Attorney General, State Treasurer and Superintendent of Public Instruction shall be four (4) years from the second Monday of January next after their election. The said officers shall be eligible to immediately succeed

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themselves. No person shall be elected Governor more than two times in succession.

Section 19. The State Auditor and Inspector must have had at least three years' experience as an expert accountant; his duties shall be, without notice to such treasurer, to examine the state and all county treasurers' books, accounts and cash on hand or in bank at least twice each year, and publish his report as to every such treasurer once each year. For the purpose of such examination he shall take complete possession of such treasurer's office. He shall also prescribe a uniform system of bookkeeping for the use of all treasurers. The State Auditor and Inspector shall perform such other duties and have such other powers as may be prescribed by law.

Section 20. A Department of Labor is hereby created to be under the control of a Commissioner of Labor whose duties shall be prescribed by law.

Section 25. The office of Chief Inspector of Mines, Oil and Gas is hereby created, and the incumbent of said office shall be known as the Chief Mine Inspector. No person shall serve in said office unless he shall have had eight (8) years' actual experience as a practical miner, and such other qualifications as may be prescribed by the Legislature. The Chief Mine Inspector shall perform the duties, take the oath and execute the bond prescribed by the Legislature.

Section 32. A. The Governor, Lieutenant Governor, State Auditor, Superintendent of Public Instruction and the President of the Board of Agriculture shall constitute the Commissioners of the Land Office, who shall have charge of the sale, rental, disposal and managing of the school lands and other public lands of the state, and of the funds and proceeds derived therefrom, under rules and regulations prescribed by the Legislature.

B. Should the offices of State Examiner and Inspector and State Auditor be consolidated in the office of State Auditor and Inspector, the State Auditor shall be replaced as a member of the Commissioners

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of the Land Office by the State Auditor and Inspector. Should the offices not be so consolidated, the membership of the Board shall remain as prescribed in subsection A of this section.

SECTION 2. Sections 27 through 30 of Article VI of the Oklahoma Constitution are hereby repealed. All other sections of Article VI not herein amended or repealed are specifically not amended or repealed.

SECTION 3. This resolution shall become effective on January 8, 1979.

SECTION 4. The Ballot Titles for the proposed Constitutional amendments as set forth in SECTIONS 1 and 2 of this resolution shall be in the following form:

BALLOT TITLE

Legislative Referendum No. 209 State Question No. 509

THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

Shall a Constitutional amendment

amending Section 1 and repealing Sections 27 through 30 of Article VI of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma, by abolishing office of Commissioner of Charities and Corrections, and providing an effective date of January 8, 1979,

be approved by the people?

SHALL THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT BE APPROVED?

☐ YES

☐ NO

BALLOT TITLE

Legislative Referendum No. 210 State Question No. 510

THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

Shall a Constitutional amendment

amending Sections 1, 3, 4 and 19 of Article VI of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma by consolidating the offices of State Auditor and State Examiner and

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Inspector in office of State Auditor and Inspector, setting qualifications, and providing an effective date of January 8, 1979,

be approved by the people?

/_/ YES

SHALL THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT BE APPROVED?

/_/ NO

BALLOT TITLE

Legislative Referendum No. 211 State Question No. 511

THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

Shall a Constitutional amendment amending Sections 1, 3 and 4 of Article VI of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma by providing for gubernatorial appointment of Secretary of State, with Senate consent, providing term of office, setting qualifications, and providing an effective date of January 8, 1979,

be approved by the people?

/_/ YES

SHALL THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT BE APPROVED?

/_/ NO

BALLOT TITLE

Legislative Referendum No. 212 State Question No. 512

THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

Shall a Constitutional amendment amending Sections 1 and 20 of Article VI of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma by providing for gubernatorial appointment of Labor Commissioner, with Senate consent, providing term of office, and providing an effective date of January 8, 1979,

be approved by the people?

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☐ YES

SHALL THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT BE APPROVED?

☐ NO

BALLOT TITLE

Legislative Referendum No. 213 State Question No. 513

THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

Shall a Constitutional amendment

amending Sections 1 and 25 of Article VI of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma by providing for gubernatorial appointment of Chief Mine Inspector, with Senate consent, providing term of office, setting qualifications, and providing an effective date of January 8, 1979,

be approved by the people?

☐ YES

SHALL THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT BE APPROVED?

☐ NO

BALLOT TITLE

Legislative Referendum No. 214 State Question No. 514

THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

Shall a Constitutional amendment

amending Section 32 of Article VI of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma by removing Secretary of State from Commissioners of the Land Office and adding Lieutenant Governor; and removing the State Auditor and adding the State Auditor and Inspector providing the Offices of State Auditor and State Examiner and Inspector are consolidated in the Office of State Auditor and Inspector, and providing an effective date of January 8, 1979,

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be approved by the people?

☐ YES

SHALL THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT BE APPROVED?

☐ NO

SECTION 5. The President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall, immediately after the adoption of this resolution prepare and file one copy thereof, including the Ballot Titles set forth in SECTION 4 hereof, with the Secretary of State and one copy with the Attorney General.

SECTION 6. A special election is hereby ordered to be held throughout the state on July 22, 1975, at which time the proposed amendments to the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma, set forth in this resolution, shall be submitted to the people for their approval or rejection as and in the manner provided by law.

Passed the Senate the 3d day of June, 1975.

President of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 4th day of June, 1975.

Speaker of the House of Representatives

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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Received by the Secretary of State this 5th day of June, 1975, at 4:15 o'clock P.M.

By: John Rogers