ENROLLED SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NUMBER 19
ENACTED BY THE FIRST REGULAR SESSION OF THE
FORTIETH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA
NUMBERED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE
LEGISLATIVE REFERENDUM NUMBER 254
STATE QUESTION NUMBER 590
RECEIVED: MAY 29, 1985
Resolution

ENROLLED SENATE
JOINT
RESOLUTION NO. 19

BY: BOATNER of the SENATE
and
DAVIS (Guy) of the HOUSE

A JOINT RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SECRETARY OF
STATE TO REFER TO THE PEOPLE FOR THEIR APPROVAL OR
REJECTION THE REPEAL OF SECTION 18 OF ARTICLE X OF
THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA, WHICH
RELATES TO THE POLL TAX; PROVIDING BALLOT TITLE;
AND DIRECTING FILING.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
1ST SESSION OF THE 40TH 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 repeal of Section 18 of Article X of the Constitution of the
State of Oklahoma which allows the Legislature to authorize the levy
and collection of a poll tax to electors.

SECTION 2. The Ballot Title for the proposed Constitutional
repealer 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 remove Section 18 of Article 10 from
the Oklahoma Constitution. This section relates to the
poll tax. It allows the Legislature to require all
voters in the state who are less than sixty years old
to buy a poll tax which costs no more than Two Dollars
($2.00) for each person. It also lets the Legislature provide a penalty if persons do not pay the poll tax.
This section is to be removed because it is
unconstitutional and is no longer used.

SHALL THE PROPOSED REPEAL BE APPROVED?

☑ YES, FOR THE REPEAL
☑ NO, AGAINST THE REPEAL

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.
Correctly Enrolled

Passed the Senate the 11th day of March, 1985.

[Signature]

President of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 28th day of May, 1985.

[Signature]

Acting Speaker of the House of Representatives

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Received by the Secretary of State this 29th day of May, 1985,
at 3:46 o'clock P.M.

By: [Signature]

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July 3, 1985

The Honorable Jeannette B. Edmondson
Secretary of State
State Capitol
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105

Re: Ballot Title for Legislative Referendum
No. 254, State Question No. 590

Dear Secretary Edmondson:

The Attorney General has received your letter dated July 2, 1985, requesting review of the subject Ballot Title as required by 34 O.S.Supp.1984, § 9.

The Ballot Title as proposed by you and approved by the Superintendent of Public Instruction, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, reads as follows:

**BALLOT TITLE**

"This measure would repeal Section 18 of Article 10 of the Oklahoma Constitution. This section relates to the poll tax. This section is to be removed because it is obsolete and is no longer used.

SHALL THIS AMENDMENT BE APPROVED BY THE PEOPLE?

( ) Yes, for the amendment

( ) No, against the amendment
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The Attorney General has reviewed your proposed official Ballot Title for Legislative Referendum Number 254, State Question Number 590, and certifies that the Ballot Title is in legal form and in harmony with the law.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

MICHAEL C. TURPEN  
ATTORNEY GENERAL

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