

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 57th Legislature (2019)

3 SENATE JOINT
4 RESOLUTION NO. 9

By: Matthews

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7 AS INTRODUCED

8 A Joint Resolution directing the Secretary of State
9 to refer to the people for their approval or
10 rejection a proposed amendment to Section 33 of
11 Article V of the Oklahoma Constitution; establishing
12 new requirement for approval of certain measures;
13 providing ballot title; and directing filing.

14 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
15 1ST SESSION OF THE 57TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

16 SECTION 1. The Secretary of State shall refer to the people for
17 their approval or rejection, as and in the manner provided by law,
18 the following proposed amendment to Section 33 of Article V of the
19 Oklahoma Constitution to read as follows:

20 Section 33. A. All bills for raising revenue shall originate
21 in the House of Representatives. The Senate may propose amendments
22 to revenue bills.

23 B. No revenue bill shall be passed during the five last days of
24 the session.

1 C. Any revenue bill originating in the House of Representatives
2 shall not become effective until it has been referred to the people
3 of the state at the next general election held throughout the state
4 and shall become effective and be in force when it has been approved
5 by a majority of the votes cast on the measure at such election and
6 not otherwise, except as otherwise provided in subsection D of this
7 section.

8 D. Any revenue bill originating in the House of Representatives
9 may become law without being submitted to a vote of the people of
10 the state if such bill receives the approval of three-fourths (3/4)
11 of the membership of the House of Representatives and three-fourths
12 (3/4) of the membership of the Senate and is submitted to the
13 Governor for appropriate action. Any such revenue bill shall not be
14 subject to the emergency measure provision authorized in Section 58
15 of this Article and shall not become effective and be in force until
16 ninety days after it has been approved by the Legislature, and acted
17 on by the Governor.

18 E. Any bill to lower a tax rate through legislative enactment
19 shall not be subject to subsections A through D of this section but
20 shall only become law if such bill receives the approval of three-
21 fourths (3/4) of the membership of the House of Representatives and
22 three-fourths (3/4) of the membership of the Senate and is submitted
23 to the Governor for appropriate action.
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1 SECTION 2. The Ballot Title for the proposed Constitutional
2 amendment as set forth in SECTION 1 of this resolution shall be in
3 the following form:

4 BALLOT TITLE

5 Legislative Referendum No. _____ State Question No. _____

6 THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

7 This measure amends Section 33 of Article 5 of the Oklahoma
8 Constitution. The section sets out certain requirements for
9 bills for raising revenue for the support of state government.
10 This bill would establish a new requirement. A bill to lower a
11 tax rate would require approval of three-fourths (3/4) of the
12 membership of the House of Representatives and the Senate.

13 SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?

14 FOR THE PROPOSAL - YES _____

15 AGAINST THE PROPOSAL - NO _____

16 SECTION 3. The President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall,
17 immediately after the passage of this resolution, prepare and file
18 one copy thereof, including the Ballot Title set forth in SECTION 2
19 hereof, with the Secretary of State and one copy with the Attorney
20 General.

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