

SENATE SUBSTITUTE
FOR
SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 23

JOINT RESOLUTION

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri, an amendment repealing section 50 of article III of the Constitution of Missouri, and adopting one new section in lieu thereof relating to initiative petitions.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CON-
CURRING THEREIN:

1 That at the next general election to be held in the state of
2 Missouri, on Tuesday next following the first Monday in November,
3 2016, or at a special election to be called by the governor for
4 that purpose, there is hereby submitted to the qualified voters
5 of this state, for adoption or rejection, the following amendment
6 to article III of the Constitution of the state of Missouri:

7 Section A. Section 50, article III, Constitution of
8 Missouri, is repealed and one new section adopted in lieu
9 thereof, to be known as section 50, to read as follows:

10 Section 50. Initiative petitions proposing amendments to
11 the constitution shall be signed by [eight] six percent of the
12 legal voters in each of [two-thirds of] the congressional
13 districts in the state, and petitions proposing laws shall be
14 signed by five percent of such voters. Every such petition shall
15 be filed with the secretary of state not less than six months
16 before the election and shall contain an enacting clause and the
17 full text of the measure. Petitions for constitutional amendments
18 shall not contain more than one amended and revised article of

1 this constitution, or one new article which shall not contain
2 more than one subject and matters properly connected therewith,
3 and the enacting clause thereof shall be "Be it resolved by the
4 people of the state of Missouri that the Constitution be
5 amended:". Petitions for laws shall contain not more than one
6 subject which shall be expressed clearly in the title, and the
7 enacting clause thereof shall be "Be it enacted by the people of
8 the state of Missouri:".