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# **SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1**

### 103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR HUDSON.

3267S.03I KRISTINA MARTIN, Secretary

## JOINT RESOLUTION

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri, an amendment repealing sections 2(b) and 3(c) of article XII of the Constitution of Missouri, and adopting three new sections in lieu thereof relating to constitutional amendments.

Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring therein:

That at the next general election to be held in the

- 2 state of Missouri, on Tuesday next following the first Monday
- 3 in November, 2026, or at a special election to be called by
- 4 the governor for that purpose, there is hereby submitted to
- 5 the qualified voters of this state, for adoption or
- 6 rejection, the following amendment to article XII of the
- 7 Constitution of the state of Missouri:
  - Section A. Sections 2(b) and 3(c), article XII,
- 2 Constitution of Missouri, are repealed and three new sections
- 3 adopted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 2(b), 2(c),
- 4 and 3(c), to read as follows:
  - Section 2(b). All amendments proposed by the general
- 2 assembly or by the initiative shall be submitted to the
- 3 electors for their approval or rejection by official ballot
- 4 title as may be provided by law, on a separate ballot
- 5 without party designation, at the next general election, or
- 6 at a special election called by the governor prior thereto,
- 7 at which he may submit any of the amendments. No such
- 8 proposed amendment shall contain more than one amended and

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9 revised article of this constitution, or one new article 10 which shall not contain more than one subject and matters 11 properly connected therewith. If possible, each proposed amendment shall be published once a week for two consecutive 12 weeks in two newspapers of different political faith in each 13 county, the last publication to be not more than thirty nor 14 15 less than fifteen days next preceding the election. there be but one newspaper in any county, publication for 16 17 four consecutive weeks shall be made. For any amendment 18 submitted to the voters by the general assembly, if a majority of the votes cast thereon is in favor of any 19 amendment, the same shall take effect at the end of thirty 20 days after the election. For any amendment submitted to the 21 voters by the initiative, if a majority of the votes cast 22 23 thereon statewide and also a majority of the votes cast 24 thereon in each of more than half of the congressional 25 districts in the state is in favor of the amendment, the same shall take effect at the end of thirty days after the 26 election, notwithstanding the provisions of article III, 27 section 51 of this constitution to the contrary. More than 28 one amendment at the same election shall be so submitted as 29 to enable the electors to vote on each amendment separately. 30

#### Section 2(c). 1. It shall be unlawful for:

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- (1) A foreign national or source connected to a foreign national to sponsor an initiative petition proposing an amendment to this constitution;
- A foreign national or source connected to a foreign national to directly or indirectly make:
- 7 A contribution or donation of money or other thing 8 of value, or make an express or implied promise to make such 9 a contribution or donation, in connection with an election 10 on a proposed constitution or amendment to this constitution;

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11 (b) A contribution or donation to a political 12 committee or a political party in support of or opposition 13 to a proposed constitution or amendment to this constitution;

- (c) An expenditure, independent expenditure, or
  disbursement for an electioneering communication whether
  print, broadcast, or digital media, or otherwise, related to
  a proposed constitution or amendment to this constitution; or
- 18 (d) A contribution to an individual or entity for the 19 purpose of funding preliminary activity preceding the 20 formation of a committee in support or opposition to a 21 proposed constitution or amendment to this constitution; or
- 22 (3) A person to solicit, accept, or receive, directly
  23 or indirectly, a contribution or donation from a foreign
  24 national or source connected to a foreign national in
  25 connection with a proposed constitution or amendment to this
  26 constitution.
- 2. If an amendment to this constitution is proposed by initiative petition, and the petition proponent, or committee associated with the proponent, knowingly violated this section, the amendment shall be deemed void even if it received the requisite votes for approval.
- 32 3. For purposes of this section, the following terms mean:
  - (1) "Foreign national":

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- 35 (a) An individual who is not a citizen of the United 36 States of America;
- 37 (b) A government, or subdivision, of a foreign country 38 or municipality thereof;
  - (c) A foreign political party;
- 40 (d) Any entity, such as a partnership, association, 41 corporation, organization, or other combination of persons,

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that is organized under the laws of, or has its principal place of business in, a foreign country; or

- (e) Any entity organized pursuant to the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof that is wholly or majority owned by a person or entity described in paragraphs (a) to (d) of this subdivision, unless otherwise exempted from the prohibitions of this section by law;
- (2) "Source connected to a foreign national", any individual or entity that has knowingly or willfully accepted funds totaling in excess of ten thousand dollars from one or more foreign nationals within the preceding four years.

Section 3(c). Any proposed constitution or 2 constitutional amendment adopted by the convention shall be 3 submitted to a vote of the electors of the state at such 4 time, in such manner and containing such separate and 5 alternative propositions and on such official ballot as may 6 be provided by the convention, at a special election not less than sixty days nor more than six months after the 7 adjournment of the convention. Upon the approval of the 8 9 constitution or constitutional amendments by a majority of 10 the votes cast thereon statewide and also a majority of votes cast thereon in each of more than half of the 11 12 Congressional districts in the state, the same shall take 13 effect at the end of thirty days after the election. 14 result of the election shall be proclaimed by the governor.

Section B. Pursuant to chapter 116, and other

applicable constitutional provisions and laws of this state

allowing the general assembly to adopt ballot language for

the submission of this joint resolution to the voters of

this state, the official summary statement of this

6 resolution shall be as follows:

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7	"Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to:
8	<ul> <li>Restrict foreign influence in the</li> </ul>
9	constitutional amendment process; and
10	<ul> <li>Require for ratification both a majority of</li> </ul>
11	votes statewide and a majority of votes in more
12	than half the congressional districts in the
13	state?".