#### SECOND REGULAR SESSION

## **SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 28**

#### 89TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR CURLS.

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### **JOINT RESOLUTION**

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri, an amendment repealing section 11(b) of article X of the constitution of Missouri relating to the approval of tax rates for school districts, and adopting two new sections in lieu thereof relating to the same subject.

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

That at the next general election to be held in the state of Missouri, on Tuesday next following the first Monday in November, 1998, or at a special election to be called by the governor for that purpose, there is hereby submitted to the qualified voters of this state, for adoption or rejection, the following amendment to article X of the Constitution of the State of Missouri:

Section A. Section 11(b), article X, constitution of Missouri, is repealed and two new sections adopted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 11(b) and 11(g), to read as follows:

Section 11(b). Any tax imposed upon such property by municipalities, counties or school districts, for their respective purposes, shall not exceed the following annual rates:

For municipalities--one dollar on the hundred dollars assessed valuation;

For counties--thirty-five cents on the hundred dollars assessed valuation in counties having three hundred million dollars, or more, assessed valuation and having by operation of law attained the classification of a county of the first class; and fifty cents on the hundred dollars assessed valuation in all other counties:

For school districts formed of cities and towns, including the school district of the city of St. Louis--[one dollar and twenty-five cents] **two dollars** on the hundred dollars assessed valuation;

For all other school districts--sixty-five cents on the hundred dollars assessed valuation.

Section 11(g). The school board of any school district whose operating levy for

school purposes for the 1995 tax year was established pursuant to a federal court order may establish the operating levy for school purposes for the district at a rate that is lower than the court-ordered rate for the 1995 tax year. The rate so established may be changed from year to year by the school board of the district. Approval by a majority of the voters of the district voting thereon shall be required for any operating levy for school purposes equal to or greater than the rate established by court order for the 1995 tax year. The authority granted in this section shall apply to any successor school district or successor school districts of such school district.

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