

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION Y

September 12, 2007, Introduced by Reps. Hoogendyk, Garfield, Sheen, Palmer, Acciavatti, Meekhof, Elsenheimer, Pastor, Brandenburg, LaJoy, Robertson, Rick Jones, Hune, David Law, Meltzer, Marleau, Nitz, Schuitmaker, Emmons, Moss, Hildenbrand, Stahl, Palsrok, Knollenberg, Agema, Pavlov, Opsommer, Stakoe, Booher, Moolenaar, Calley, DeRoche, Amos, Shaffer, Green, Huizenga, Casperson, Steil, Moore, Horn, Hansen and Rocca and referred to the Committee on Tax Policy.

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution of 1963, by amending section 26 of article IV, to provide for concurrence of 3/5 of the members of each house to impose certain taxes or to make certain modifications to certain taxes.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the state of Michigan, That the following amendment to the state constitution of 1963, to provide for concurrence of 3/5 of the members of each house to impose certain taxes or to make certain modifications to certain taxes, is proposed, agreed to, and submitted to the people of the state:

ARTICLE IV

1 Sec. 26. (1) No bill shall be passed or become a law at any
2 regular session of the legislature until it has been printed or
3 reproduced and in the possession of each house for at least five
4 days. Every bill shall be read three times in each house before the
5 final passage thereof. ~~No~~**EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS**
6 **CONSTITUTION, NO** bill shall become a law without the concurrence of
7 a majority of the members elected to and serving in each house. On
8 the final passage of bills, the votes and names of the members
9 voting thereon shall be entered in the journal.

10 (2) **A BILL TO IMPOSE, EXPAND THE BASE OF, INCREASE THE RATE**
11 **OF, OR REPEAL AN EXEMPTION FROM A TAX IMPOSED BY THIS STATE SHALL**
12 **NOT BECOME LAW WITHOUT THE CONCURRENCE OF 3/5 OF THE MEMBERS**
13 **ELECTED TO AND SERVING IN EACH HOUSE. A LAW TO IMPOSE, EXPAND THE**
14 **BASE OF, INCREASE THE RATE OF, OR REPEAL AN EXEMPTION FROM A TAX**
15 **IMPOSED BY THIS STATE SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE PEOPLE FOR APPROVAL**
16 **OR REJECTION AT THE NEXT GENERAL ELECTION. IF THE LAW IS NOT**
17 **APPROVED BY A MAJORITY OF THE ELECTORS VOTING AT THAT GENERAL**
18 **ELECTION, THE LAW SHALL ONLY BE EFFECTIVE UNTIL DECEMBER 31 OF THAT**
19 **YEAR.**

20 Resolved further, That the foregoing amendment shall be
21 submitted to the people of the state at the next general election
22 in the manner provided by law.