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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF ARIZONA; AMENDING ARTICLE IV,
PART 1, CONSTITUTION OF ARIZONA, BY ADDING SECTION 3; RELATING TO INITIATIVE
AND REFERENDUM.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Arizona, the
2 Senate concurring:

3 1. Article IV, part 1, Constitution of Arizona, is proposed to be
4 amended by adding section 3 as follows if approved by the voters and on
5 proclamation of the Governor:

6 3. Funding ballot measures: reauthorization requirement:
7 special audit

8 SECTION 3. A. IF AN INITIATIVE OR REFERENDUM MEASURE
9 AUTHORIZES OR REQUIRES THE EXPENDITURE OF STATE MONIES, THAT
10 AUTHORIZATION OR REQUIREMENT IS VALID FOR ONLY EIGHT YEARS. AT
11 THE END OF THIS AUTHORIZATION PERIOD, A REAUTHORIZATION MEASURE
12 SHALL BE REFERRED TO A VOTE OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS AT THE NEXT
13 GENERAL ELECTION AND SHALL BE REAUTHORIZED FOR ANOTHER EIGHT
14 YEARS IF APPROVED BY A MAJORITY OF THE VOTES CAST ON THE MEASURE
15 AND ON PROCLAMATION OF THE GOVERNOR.

16 B. THIS REAUTHORIZATION REQUIREMENT APPLIES RETROACTIVELY
17 TO ALL BALLOT MEASURES FROM PREVIOUS INITIATIVES OR REFERENDA
18 THAT AUTHORIZE OR REQUIRE THE EXPENDITURE OF STATE MONIES. THESE
19 MEASURES SHALL CONTINUE TO BE AUTHORIZED UNTIL REFERRED TO A VOTE
20 FOR REAUTHORIZATION PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.

21 C. ALL BALLOT MEASURES THAT ARE AFFECTED RETROACTIVELY BY
22 THIS SECTION AND THAT WERE ENACTED INTO LAW EIGHT YEARS OR MORE
23 BEFORE THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE REFERRED TO A
24 VOTE OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS FOR REAUTHORIZATION AT THE NEXT
25 GENERAL ELECTION FOLLOWING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION.

26 D. THE AUDITOR GENERAL SHALL CONDUCT A SPECIAL AUDIT
27 PURSUANT TO LAW EVERY FIVE YEARS TO EVALUATE THE COSTS OF EACH
28 MEASURE THAT IS VOTER PROTECTED PURSUANT TO PART 1, SECTION 1 OF
29 THIS ARTICLE. THE AUDIT SHALL EXAMINE THE COSTS OF EACH MEASURE
30 FROM THE DATE OF THE ENACTMENT TO THE PRESENT DATE.

31 E. ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 15 OF THE AUDIT YEAR, THE AUDITOR
32 GENERAL SHALL SUBMIT COPIES OF THE SPECIAL AUDIT TO THE GOVERNOR,
33 THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF
34 REPRESENTATIVES AND PROVIDE A COPY OF THIS SPECIAL AUDIT TO THE
35 SECRETARY OF STATE.

36 2. The Secretary of State shall submit this proposition to the voters
37 at the next general election as provided by article XXI, Constitution of
38 Arizona.