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# SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 30

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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## 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 four 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2 Constitution of Missouri, are repealed and four new sections  
3 adopted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 2(b), 2(c),  
4 2(d), 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  
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  
12 amendment shall be published once a week for two consecutive  
13 weeks in two newspapers of different political faith in each  
14 county, the last publication to be not more than thirty nor  
15 less than fifteen days next preceding the election. If  
16 there be but one newspaper in any county, publication for  
17 four consecutive weeks shall be made. **For any amendment**  
18 **submitted to the voters by the general assembly,** if a  
19 majority of the votes cast thereon is in favor of any  
20 amendment, the same shall take effect at the end of thirty  
21 days after the election. **For any amendment submitted to the**  
22 **voters by the initiative, if a majority of the votes cast**  
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**  
26 **same shall take effect at the end of thirty days after the**  
27 **election, notwithstanding the provisions of article III,**  
28 **section 51 of this constitution to the contrary.** More than  
29 one amendment at the same election shall be so submitted as  
30 to enable the electors to vote on each amendment separately.

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

- 2 (1) A government of a foreign country or a foreign  
3 political party to sponsor an initiative petition proposing  
4 an amendment to this constitution;
- 5 (2) A government of a foreign country or a foreign  
6 political party to directly or indirectly make:
  - 7 (a) A contribution or donation of money or other thing  
8 of value, or make an express or implied promise to make a  
9 contribution or donation, in connection with an election on  
10 a proposed amendment to this constitution;

11           (b) A contribution or donation to a political  
12 committee or a political party favoring or opposing a  
13 proposed amendment to this constitution; or

14           (c) An expenditure, independent expenditure, or  
15 disbursement for an electioneering communication whether  
16 print, broadcast, or digital media, or otherwise, related to  
17 a proposed amendment to this constitution; or

18           (3) A person to solicit, accept, or receive a  
19 contribution or donation from a government of a foreign  
20 country or a foreign political party in connection with a  
21 proposed amendment to this constitution.

          Section 2(d). Legal voters in each congressional  
2 district shall have the opportunity to review and comment  
3 upon all initiative petitions proposing amendments to the  
4 constitution following the filing of the petition with the  
5 secretary of state and not less than fifteen days before the  
6 measure appears on the ballot. Such review and comment  
7 process shall be administered by the secretary of state in a  
8 public forum.

          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  
7 less than sixty days nor more than six months after the  
8 adjournment of the convention. Upon the approval of the  
9 constitution or constitutional amendments **by a majority of**  
10 **the votes cast thereon statewide and also a majority of**  
11 **votes cast thereon in each of more than half of the**  
12 **congressional districts in the state,** the same shall take

13 effect at the end of thirty days after the election. The  
14 result of the election shall be proclaimed by the governor.

Section B. Pursuant to chapter 116, and other  
2 applicable constitutional provisions and laws of this state  
3 allowing the general assembly to adopt ballot language for  
4 the submission of this joint resolution to the voters of  
5 this state, the official summary statement of this  
6 resolution shall be as follows:

7 "Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to:  
8 • Forbid foreign countries from funding  
9 constitutional amendments;  
10 • Require review of proposed constitutional  
11 amendment initiatives by voters in each  
12 congressional district; and  
13 • Pass constitutional amendments proposed by  
14 initiative or convention by a majority vote both  
15 statewide and in a majority of congressional  
16 districts?".

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