

HCS HJR 79 -- CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS (Henderson)

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: Standing Committee on Elections and Elected Officials

Upon voter approval, this proposed Constitutional amendment would require an amendment to the state Constitution to achieve a two-thirds supermajority vote for passage. Amendments will take effect 30 days after the election if approved.

The resolution specifies that the Constitutional phrase "legal voter" is defined as an individual who is a citizen of the United States, a resident of Missouri, and who is properly registered to vote.

The resolution also requires petition signatures to place a measure on the ballot as a Constitutional amendment to be collected in each Congressional district using a percentage requirement of 10%. Laws may be placed on the ballot using a percentage requirement of 5%.

The Secretary of State will conduct a review and comment process for the general public in each congressional district after petition filing and no less than 15 days before a proposed constitutional amendment appears on the ballot.

The resolution contains ballot language submitted to the voters under Chapter 116, RSMo.

The resolution has a delayed effective date of January 1, 2023.

This resolution is similar to HJR 20 (2021).