

Senate Joint Resolution 32

Sponsored by Senator KNOPP; Representative NEARMAN (Pre-session filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Proposes amendment to Oregon Constitution to amplify types of legislative measures that require three-fifths majority vote in each house for passage.

Refers proposed amendment to people for their approval or rejection at next regular general election.

JOINT RESOLUTION

Be It Resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon:

PARAGRAPH 1. Section 25, Article IV of the Constitution of the State of Oregon, is amended to read:

Sec. 25. (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (2) of this section, a majority of all the members elected to each House shall be necessary to pass every bill or Joint resolution.

(2) Three-fifths of all members elected to each House shall be necessary to pass [*bills*]:

(a) **Bills** for raising revenue;

(b) **Bills that establish new or increased taxes, including but not limited to increases in tax rates or the elimination or reduction of tax credits, exemptions, exclusions, deductions, subtractions or other tax expenditures;**

(c) **Bills that modify or expand a tax base so as to produce revenue;**

(d) **Bills that establish new or increased fees or fines; or**

(e) **Bills, any portion of which is described in paragraphs (a) to (d) of this subsection, that also contain offsetting reductions in revenue.**

(3) All bills, and Joint resolutions passed, shall be signed by the presiding officers of the respective houses.

PARAGRAPH 2. **The amendment proposed by this resolution shall be submitted to the people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election held throughout this state.**

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.