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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF ARIZONA; AMENDING ARTICLE IX,
SECTION 23, CONSTITUTION OF ARIZONA; RELATING TO STATE REVENUES.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

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

3 1. Article IX, section 23, Constitution of Arizona, is proposed to be
4 amended as follows if approved by the voters and on proclamation of the
5 Governor:

6 23. Expenditures required by initiative or
7 referendum; funding source

8 Section 23. A. An initiative or referendum measure that
9 proposes a mandatory expenditure of state revenues for any
10 purpose, establishes a fund for any specific purpose or
11 allocates funding for any specific purpose must also provide for
12 an increased source of revenues sufficient to cover the entire
13 immediate and future costs of the proposal. The increased
14 revenues may not be derived from the state general fund or
15 reduce or cause a reduction in general fund revenues.

16 B. If the identified revenue source provided pursuant to
17 subsection A in any fiscal year fails to fund the entire
18 mandated expenditure for that fiscal year, the legislature may
19 reduce the expenditure of state revenues for that purpose in
20 that fiscal year to the amount of funding supplied by the
21 identified revenue source. **NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION
22 OF THIS CONSTITUTION, IF THE INITIATIVE OR REFERENDUM FAILED TO
23 IDENTIFY A SUFFICIENT SOURCE OF REVENUE OTHER THAN THE STATE
24 GENERAL FUND, THE EXPENDITURE OF STATE REVENUES FOR THAT PURPOSE
25 IS SUBJECT TO LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATION.**

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