

# HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION QQ

December 9, 2009, Introduced by Reps. Amash, Lund, McMillin, Agema, Genetski, Calley, Haveman, Rick Jones, Green, Elsenheimer, Meekhof, Knollenberg, Haines, Hildenbrand, Marleau, Paul Scott, Kurtz, Meltzer, Bolger, Tyler, Kowall, Rogers, DeShazor and Daley and referred to the Committee on Tax Policy.

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution of 1963, by amending section 26 of article IV, to provide for concurrence of 2/3 of the members of each house to impose or increase certain taxes.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the state of Michigan, That the following amendment to the state constitution of 1963, to provide for concurrence of 2/3 of the members of each house to impose or increase certain taxes, is proposed, agreed to, and submitted to the people of the state:

## ARTICLE IV

Sec. 26. (1) No bill shall be passed or become a law at any regular session of the legislature until it has been printed or

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1 reproduced and in the possession of each house for at least five  
2 days. Every bill shall be read three times in each house before the  
3 final passage thereof. ~~No~~**EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS**  
4 **CONSTITUTION, NO** bill shall become a law without the concurrence of  
5 a majority of the members elected to and serving in each house. On  
6 the final passage of bills, the votes and names of the members  
7 voting thereon shall be entered in the journal.

8           **(2) NO BILL TO IMPOSE OR INCREASE THE RATE OF A STATE TAX**  
9 **SHALL BECOME A LAW WITHOUT THE CONCURRENCE OF 2/3 OF THE MEMBERS**  
10 **ELECTED TO AND SERVING IN EACH HOUSE.**

11           Resolved further, That the foregoing amendment shall be  
12 submitted to the people of the state at the next general election  
13 in the manner provided by law.