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INTRODUCTION**

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. _____

City and county unification.

Sponsored by: Joint Corporations, Elections and Political
Subdivisions Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing to amend the Wyoming
2 Constitution to allow the legislature to provide for a
3 procedure and laws governing unification of counties and
4 municipalities; defining unified governments as counties
5 for taxation and revenue purposes; and defining unified
6 governments as municipalities for purposes of Article 13 of
7 the constitution.

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9 *BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING,*
10 two-thirds of all the members of the two houses, voting
11 separately, concurring therein:

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1 **Section 1.** The following proposal to amend Wyoming
2 Constitution, Article 14, Section 6 is proposed for
3 submission to the electors of the State of Wyoming at the
4 next general election for approval or rejection to become
5 valid as a part of the Constitution if ratified by a
6 majority of the electors at the election:

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8 **Article 14, Section 6. Consolidation of offices.**

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10 (a) Whenever practicable the legislature may, and
11 whenever the same can be done without detriment to the
12 public service, shall consolidate offices in state, county
13 and municipalities respectively, and whenever so
14 consolidated, the duties of such additional office shall be
15 performed under an ex officio title.

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17 (b) The legislature may establish through general law
18 a procedure and laws governing the unification of counties
19 and municipalities. A unified government shall be
20 recognized under this constitution and the laws of the
21 state as a county for purposes of taxation and revenues and
22 as a municipality for purposes of Article 13 of this
23 constitution.

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2 **Section 2.** That the Secretary of State shall endorse

3 the following statement on the proposed amendment:

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5 The passage of this amendment would allow the legislature

6 to provide for a procedure and laws governing unification

7 of counties and municipalities, would define unified

8 governments as counties for taxation and revenue purposes

9 and would define unified governments as municipalities for

10 purposes of Article 13 of the constitution.

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