

ORIGINAL HOUSE
JOINT RESOLUTION
NO. 0001

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FIFTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING
2008 BUDGET SESSION

A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing to amend the Wyoming Constitution to modify the signature requirement for a petition for an initiative or referendum; changing the requirement from fifteen percent of those resident in at least two-thirds of the counties to at least fifteen percent of those resident in at least two-thirds of the senate districts in the state.

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

Section 1. The following proposal to amend Wyoming Constitution, Article 3, Section 52(c)(ii) is proposed for submission to the electors of the State of Wyoming at the next general election for approval or rejection to become valid as a part of the Constitution if ratified by a majority of the electors at the election:

Article 3, Section 52. Initiative and referendum.

(c) After certification of the application, a petition containing a summary of the subject matter shall be prepared by the secretary of state for circulation by the sponsors. The petition may be filed with the secretary of state if it meets both of the following requirements:

(ii) It is signed by qualified voters equal in number to fifteen percent (15%) of those resident in at least two-thirds (2/3) of the ~~counties~~ senate districts of the state, as determined by those who voted in the preceding general election in ~~that county~~ each senate district.

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Section 2. That the Secretary of State shall endorse the following statement on the proposed amendment:

The passage of this amendment would change the requirement for petition signatures for an initiative or referendum. Currently a petition must be signed by at least fifteen percent (15%) of the qualified voters in at least two-thirds (2/3) of the counties, as determined by those who voted in the last general election. This amendment would change the requirement to at least fifteen percent (15%) of the qualified voters in at least two-thirds (2/3) of the senate districts, as determined by those who voted in the last general election.

(END)

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Governor

TIME APPROVED: _____

DATE APPROVED: _____

I hereby certify that this act originated in the House.

Chief Clerk