

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION B

February 4, 2003, Introduced by Reps. Steil, Palsrok, Drolet, Koetje, Brandenburg, Robertson, Palmer, Milosch, Garfield, Hoogendyk, LaJoy and Sheen 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 3/5 of the members of each house to impose certain taxes or to make certain modifications to 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 3/5 of the members of each house to impose certain taxes or to make certain modifications to certain taxes, is proposed, agreed to, and submitted to the people of the state:

ARTICLE IV

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2 Sec. 26. (1) No bill shall be passed or become a law at any
3 regular session of the legislature until it has been printed or
4 reproduced and in the possession of each house for at least five

1 days. Every bill shall be read three times in each house before
2 the final passage ~~thereof~~ of the bill. ~~No~~ **Except as**
3 **otherwise provided in this constitution, no** bill shall become a
4 law without the concurrence of a majority of the members elected
5 to and serving in each house. On the final passage of bills, the
6 votes and names of the members voting thereon shall be entered in
7 the journal.

8 (2) **No bill to expand the base of, increase the rate of, or**
9 **repeal an exemption from the state income tax, state sales tax,**
10 **state use tax, or single business tax, or any successor to those**
11 **taxes, shall become law without the concurrence of 3/5 of the**
12 **members elected to and serving in each house.**

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