

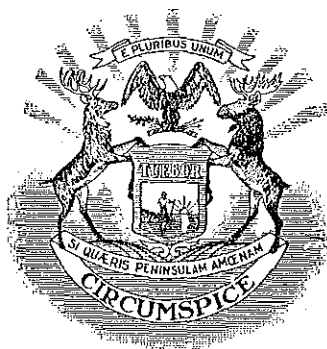
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CONTAINING JOINT RESOLUTIONS



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A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to article eight of the state constitution, by adding thereto a new section to stand as section thirty-one, with reference to the creation of metropolitan districts.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan,* That the following amendment to article eight of the constitution of this state, to be known as section thirty-one, is hereby proposed and agreed to, that is to say, that a new section be added to article eight of the constitution to stand as section thirty-one and to read as follows:

SEC. 31. The legislature shall by general law provide for the incorporation by any two or more cities, villages or townships, or any combination or parts of same, of metropolitan districts comprising territory within their limits, for the purpose of acquiring, owning and operating either within or without their limits as may be prescribed by law, parks or public utilities for supplying sewage disposal, drainage, water, light, power or transportation, or any combination thereof, and any such district may sell or purchase, either within or without its limits as may be prescribed by law, sewage disposal or drainage rights, water, light, power or transportation facilities. Any such districts shall have power to acquire and succeed to any or all of the rights, obligations and property of such cities, villages and townships respecting or connected with such functions or public utilities: *Provided,* That no city, village or township shall surrender any such rights, obligations or property without the approval thereof by a majority vote of the electors thereof voting on such question. Such general law shall limit the rate of taxation of such districts for their municipal purposes and restrict their powers of borrowing money and contracting debts. Under such general law, the electors of each district shall have power and authority to frame, adopt and amend its charter upon the approval thereof by a majority vote of the electors of each city, village and township, voting on such question, and, through its regularly constituted authority, to pass all laws and ordinances relating to its municipal concerns, subject to the constitution and general laws of this state.

*Resolved further,* That the foregoing proposed amendment be submitted to the people of this state at the election to be held in the month of November in the year nineteen hundred twenty-six. The secretary of state is hereby required to certify said proposed amendment to the clerks of the various counties of the state in the manner required by law. It shall be the duty of the board of election commissioners of each county to prepare ballots for the use of the electors when voting on said proposed amendment, which ballots, after setting forth the proposed amendment in full, shall be in substantially the following form:

"Vote on amendment to article eight of the state constitution.

Shall article eight of the state constitution be amended by adding thereto a new section to stand as section thirty-one for the purpose of creating metropolitan districts?

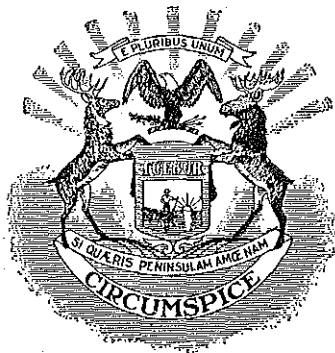
Yes ( )

No ( )."

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purpose, the remainder may be sold or leased with or without such restrictions as may be appropriate to the improvement made. Bonds may be issued to supply the funds to pay in whole or in part for the property so appropriated, but such bonds shall be a lien only on the property so acquired and they shall not be included in any limitation of the bonded indebtedness of such municipality.

Yes ( )

No ( )."

It shall be the duty of the board of election commissioners in each county to deliver the ballots so prepared to the inspectors of election of the several voting precincts within their respective counties within the time ballots to be used at said election are required to be delivered to such inspectors under the general election law. All votes cast upon said amendment shall be counted, canvassed and returned in the same manner as is provided by law for counting, canvassing and returning votes cast for state officers.

## AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION.

Amendment to the constitution relative to the terms of office of sheriffs, proposed by the legislature of 1925, and ratified by the people at the general election on Tuesday, November 2, 1926.

### ARTICLE VIII.

SEC. 5. The sheriff shall hold no other office. He shall be elected at the general election for the term of two years. He may be required by law to renew his security from time to time and in default of giving such security, his office shall be deemed vacant. The county shall never be responsible for his acts.

Amendment to the constitution relative to the creation of metropolitan districts, proposed by the legislature of 1927, and ratified by the people at the biennial spring election on Monday, April 4, 1927.

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