

PUBLIC AND LOCAL ACTS
OF
THE LEGISLATURE
OF THE
STATE OF MICHIGAN
PASSED AT THE
REGULAR SESSION OF 1945

CONTAINING JOINT RESOLUTIONS, AMENDMENTS TO
CONSTITUTION AND ABSTRACTS OF PROCEEDINGS
RELATIVE TO CHANGE OF BOUNDARIES OF TOWN-
SHIPS AND INCORPORATION, ETC., OF CITIES AND
VILLAGES.



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JOINT RESOLUTIONS, 1945.

[No. 1.]

A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to section 21 of article 10 of the state constitution, relative to increase of 15 mill limitation.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the state of Michigan, That the following amendment to section 21 of article 10 of the state constitution, relative to increase of 15 mill limitation, is hereby proposed, agreed to and submitted to the people of this state:

ARTICLE X.

15 mill limitation; increase authorized.

Section 21. The total amount of taxes assessed against property for all purposes in any 1 year shall not exceed $1\frac{1}{2}$ percent of the assessed valuation of said property, except taxes levied for the payment of interest and principal on obligations heretofore incurred, which sums shall be separately assessed in all cases: *Provided*, That for the purpose of the acquisition of real estate or erection of public buildings or public works, or making permanent extensions thereto or other capital improvements thereof, this limitation may be increased for a period of not to exceed 15 years at any 1 time to not more than a total of 3 percent of the assessed valuation by a majority vote of only such persons having the qualifications of electors, who have property assessed for taxes in any part of the assessing district to be affected by the result of such election, or the lawful husbands or wives of such persons: *Provided further*, That for all other purposes the limitation of $1\frac{1}{2}$ percent may be increased for a period of not to exceed 5 years at any 1 time, to not more than a total of 5 percent of the assessed valuation, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ vote of the electors of any assessing district, or when provided for by the charter of a municipal corporation: *Provided further*, That this limitation shall not apply to taxes levied in the year 1932.

Resolved further, That the foregoing amendment shall be submitted to the people of the state at the next regular election. 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 substantially in the following form:

"Vote on amendment to section 21 of article 10 of the state constitution.

Shall section 21 of article 10 of the state constitution be amended to provide for an increase in the 15 mill limitation by a majority vote of only such persons having the qualifications of electors, who have property assessed for taxes in any part of the assessing district to be affected by the result of such election, or the lawful husbands or wives of such persons for the acquisition of real estate or erection of public buildings or public works, or making permanent extensions thereto or other capital improvements thereof, for a term of not exceeding 15 years?

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.

[No. 2.]

A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to section 14 of article 10 of the state constitution, authorizing the state to control, improve or assist in the improvement and control of rivers, streams and water levels.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the state of Michigan, That the following amendment to section 14 of article 10 of the state constitution, authorizing the state to control, improve or assist in the improvement and control of rivers, streams and water levels, is hereby proposed, agreed to and submitted to the people of this state:

ARTICLE X.

Internal improvements; control, etc., of rivers, streams and water levels.

Sec. 14. The state shall not be a party to, nor be interested in any work of internal improvement, nor engage in carrying on any such work, except in the improvement of or aiding in the improvement and control of public roads, rivers, streams and water levels, for purposes of drainage, public health, control of flood waters and soil erosion, in the reforestation and protection of lands owned by the state and in the expenditure of grants to the state of land or other property.

Resolved further, That the foregoing amendment shall be submitted to the people of the state at the general election to be held in the month of April, in the year of 1945. 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 ballot, after setting forth the proposed amendment in full, shall be substantially in the following form:

"Vote on amendment to section 14 of article 10 of the state constitution.

Shall section 14 of article 10 of the state constitution be amended to authorize the state to control, improve or assist in the improvement and control of rivers, streams and water levels?

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.

The above resolution was ratified by the people April 2, 1945.