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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 22

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

JOINT RESOLUTION

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri an amendment repealing Section 52(b) of Article III of the Constitution of Missouri, and adopting one new section in lieu thereof relating to initiative petitions.

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring therein:

That at the next general election to be held in the state of Missouri, on Tuesday next

- 2 following the first Monday in November, 2024, or at a special election to be called by the
- 3 governor for that purpose, there is hereby submitted to the qualified voters of this state, for
- 4 adoption or rejection, the following amendment to Article III of the Constitution of the state
- 5 of Missouri:

Section A. Section 52(b), Article III, Constitution of Missouri, is repealed and one new section adopted in lieu thereof, to be known as Section 52(b), to read as follows:

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Section 52(b). The veto power of the governor shall not extend to measures referred to the people. All elections on measures referred to the people shall be had at the general state

- 3 elections, except when the general assembly shall order a special election. Any measure
- 4 referred to the people by the general assembly shall take effect when approved by a majority
- 5 of the votes cast thereon, and not otherwise. Any measure referred to the people by
- 6 initiative shall take effect when approved by a number of votes that is greater than or
- 7 equal to the number of registered voters in the state. For the purposes of this section,
- 8 the number of registered voters shall be the number of registered voters at the general
- 9 election that immediately preceded the election at which the initiative petition appears

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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- 10 on the ballot, as determined by the secretary of state. This section shall not be construed
- 11 to deprive any member of the general assembly of the right to introduce any measure.

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