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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO.

Residential property taxation amendment.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Yin

A JOINT RESOLUTION

for 1 A JOINT RESOLUTION providing for the assessment of 2 residential real property as a separate property class for 3 the purpose of property tax assessments and authorizing 4 certain exemptions and subclasses related to residential real 5 property. 6 7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING, two-thirds of all the members of the two houses, voting 8

separately, concurring therein: 9

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- 11 Section 1. The following proposal to amend Wyoming
- 12 Constitution, Article 15, Section 11 is proposed for
- submission to the electors of the State of Wyoming at the 13

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next general election for approval or rejection to become
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    valid as a part of the Constitution if ratified by a majority
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    of the electors at the election:
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                  15, Section 11 Uniformity of assessment
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         Article
    required.
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         (a) All property, except as in this constitution
    otherwise provided, shall be uniformly valued at its full
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    value as defined by the legislature, in three (3) four (4)
    classes as follows:
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              (i) Gross production of minerals and mine products
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    in lieu of taxes on the land where produced;
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              (ii) Property used for industrial purposes as
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    defined by the legislature; and
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              (iii) Residential real property; and
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              (iv) All other property, real and personal.
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1 (b) The legislature shall prescribe the percentage of 2 value which shall be assessed within each designated class. 3 All taxable property shall be valued at its full value as 4 defined by the legislature except agricultural and grazing lands which shall be valued according to the capability of 5 the land to produce agricultural products under normal 6 7 conditions. The percentage of value prescribed for industrial 8 property shall not be more than forty percent (40%) higher 9 nor more than four (4) percentage points more than the 10 percentage prescribed for residential real property or the 11 percentage prescribed for all other property other than 12 minerals.

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(c) Except as provided in this subsection the legislature shall not create new classes or subclasses or authorize any property to be assessed at a rate other than the rates set for authorized classes. The legislature may create a subclass of residential real property for primary home owners and may authorize exemptions that apply to primary home owners or additional subclasses of residential real property as determined by the legislature by general law.

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1	(d) All taxation shall be equal and uniform within each
2	class <u>and subclass</u> of property. The legislature shall
3	prescribe such regulations as shall secure a just valuation
4	for taxation of all property, real and personal.
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6	Section 2. That the Secretary of State shall endorse
7	the following statement on the proposed amendment:
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9	The adoption of this amendment would separate residential
10	real property into its own class of property for purposes of
11	property tax assessments. The amendment would authorize the
12	legislature to create a subclass of residential real property
13	for primary home owners and to establish tax exemptions that
14	apply to primary home owners or other subclasses of
15	residential real property as determined by the legislature.
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17	(END)