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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO.

Property tax-residential property valuation.

Sponsored by: Joint Revenue Interim Committee

A JOINT RESOLUTION

for

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION providing for the assessment residential real property as a separate property class for 2 3 the purpose of taxation and providing for valuation of 4 residential real property. 5 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING, 6

- 7 two-thirds of all the members of the two houses, voting
- separately, concurring therein: 8

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- 10 Section 1. The following proposal to amend Wyoming
- 11 Constitution, Article 15, Section 11(a)(intro), (ii), by
- 12 creating a new paragraph (iii), by renumbering (iii) as (iv)
- and (b) through (d) is proposed for submission to the electors 13

1 of the State of Wyoming at the next general election for 2 approval or rejection to become valid as a part of the 3 Constitution if ratified by a majority of the electors at the 4 election: 5 Article 15, Section 11. Uniformity of assessment 6 7 required. 8 9 All property, except as in this constitution 10 otherwise provided, shall be uniformly valued at its full 11 value as defined by the legislature, in three (3) four (4) 12 classes as follows: 13 14 (ii) Property used for industrial purposes as defined by the legislature; and 15 16 17 (iii) Residential real property; and 18 19 (iii)(iv) All other property, real and personal. 20 21 (b) The legislature shall prescribe the percentage of value which shall be assessed within each designated class. 22 All taxable property shall be valued at its full value as 23

1 defined by the legislature except residential real property 2 which may be valued at less than full value for purposes of 3 taxation as prescribed by the legislature through laws 4 establishing a maximum permissible increase in annual residential real property values and agricultural and grazing 5 lands which shall be valued according to the capability of 6 7 the land to produce agricultural products under normal 8 conditions. The percentage of value prescribed for industrial 9 property shall not be more than forty percent (40%) higher 10 nor more than four (4) percentage points more than the 11 percentage prescribed for residential real property or more 12 than forty percent (40%) higher nor more than four (4) 13 percentage points more than the percentage prescribed for all 14 other property other than minerals.

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(C) Except as provided in this section 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 owner occupied primary residences and a second subclass of residential real property as the legislature determines necessary for a just valuation of property. Each class and subclass of residential real

- 1 property may be assessed at a different rate as determined by
- 2 the legislature.

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- 4 (d) All taxation shall be equal and uniform within each
- 5 class and subclass of property. The legislature shall
- 6 prescribe such regulations as shall secure a just valuation
- 7 for taxation of all property, real and personal.

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- 9 **Section 2.** That the Secretary of State shall endorse
- 10 the following statement on the proposed amendment:

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- 12 The adoption of this amendment would separate residential
- 13 real property into its own class of property for purposes of
- 14 property tax assessments. The amendment would authorize the
- 15 legislature to prescribe that the value of residential real
- 16 property may be valued for purposes of taxation at less than
- 17 full value through the implementation of a maximum increase
- 18 in annual valuation changes. The amendment would also
- 19 authorize the legislature to create a subclass of residential
- 20 real property for owner occupied primary residences and an
- 21 additional subclass of residential property as determined by

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22 the legislature for the just valuation of property.

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1 Section 3. Senate Joint Resolution No. 3 approved by

2 the legislature on March 2, 2023 and signed by the governor

3 on March 3, 2023 is hereby repealed, rescinded, cancelled,

4 nullified and voided and shall not be submitted for approval

5 to the Wyoming electors at the 2024 general election.

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7 (END)