By: Representative Denny

To: Constitution

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 30

L A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION 70,

- 2 MISSISSIPPI CONSTITUTION OF 1890, TO PROVIDE THAT BILLS THAT
- 3 REDUCE TAXES REQUIRE ONLY A MAJORITY VOTE FOR PASSAGE; AND FOR
- 4 RELATED PURPOSES.
- 5 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF
- 6 MISSISSIPPI, That the following amendment to the Mississippi
- 7 Constitution of 1890 is proposed to the qualified electors of the
- 8 state:
- 9 Amend Section 70, Mississippi Constitution of 1890, to read
- 10 as follows:
- "Section 70. No revenue bill, or any bill providing for
- 12 assessments of property for taxation, shall become a law except by
- 13 a vote of at least three-fifths (3/5) of the members of each house
- 14 present and voting. For the purposes of this section, a bill is
- 15 not a revenue bill because it provides for a reduction in taxes,
- 16 and only a majority vote of the members of each house present and
- 17 voting may be required by the Legislature for passage of any such
- 18 bill."
- 19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this proposed amendment shall be
- 20 submitted by the Secretary of State to the qualified electors at
- 21 an election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday
- of November 2002 as provided by Section 273 of the Constitution
- 23 and by general law.
- 24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the explanation of this proposed
- 25 amendment for the ballot shall read as follows: "This proposed
- 26 amendment provides that bills that reduce taxes require only a
- 27 majority vote for passage."