HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO.   34

1   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:

11   "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

22 of November 2003 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."

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03/HR03/R137   ST: Amend Constitution; require majority vote
PAGE 1 (JWB\LH)   only for bill reducing taxes.