

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 42

96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE SATER.

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

JOINT RESOLUTION

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri an amendment repealing sections 20(a) and 25 of article III of the Constitution of Missouri, and adopting two new sections in lieu thereof relating to the general assembly.

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, 2012, 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 of
5 Missouri:

Section A. Sections 20(a) and 25, article III, Constitution of Missouri, are repealed and
2 two new sections adopted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 20(a) and 25, to read as
3 follows:

Section 20(a). The general assembly shall adjourn at midnight on May thirtieth until the
2 first Wednesday after the first Monday of January of the following year, unless it has adjourned
3 prior thereto. All bills in either house remaining on the calendar after 6:00 p.m. on the first
4 Friday following the second Monday in [May] **April** are tabled. The period between the first
5 Friday following the second Monday in [May] **April** and May thirtieth shall be devoted to the
6 enrolling, engrossing, and the signing in open session by officers of the respective houses of bills
7 passed prior to 6:00 p.m. on the first Friday following the second Monday in [May] **April**.

8 The general assembly shall automatically stand adjourned sine die at 6:00 p.m. on the
9 sixtieth calendar day after the date of its convening in special session unless it has adjourned sine
10 die prior thereto.

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.

Section 25. No bill other than an appropriation bill shall be introduced in either house
2 after the [sixtieth] **fiftieth** legislative day unless consented to by a majority of the elected
3 members of each house or the governor shall request a consideration of the proposed legislation
4 by a special message. No appropriation bill shall be taken up for consideration after 6:00 p.m.
5 on the first Friday following the first Monday in [May] **April** of each year.

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