
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 4210

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By House Committee on Housing (originally sponsored by Representatives Wineberry, Winsley, Leonard, Ballard, Franklin, Mitchell, Locke, Ludwig, Scott, Bowman, Tate, Ferguson, Mielke, Betrozoff, Paris, Miller and Anderson).

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1 BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
2 THE STATE OF WASHINGTON, IN LEGISLATIVE SESSION ASSEMBLED:

3 THAT, At the next general election to be held in this state there
4 shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the state for their
5 approval and ratification, or rejection, an amendment to Article VII
6 of the Constitution of the state of Washington by adding a new section
7 to read as follows:

8 Article VII, section _____. Notwithstanding the provisions of
9 Article 7, section 1 (Amendment 14) and Article 7, section 2 (Amendment
10 17), the following tax exemption shall be allowed as to real property:

11 The legislature shall have the power, by appropriate legislation,
12 to grant to first-time homebuyers relief from the property tax on the
13 real property occupied as a residence by those homebuyers for a period
14 of up to three full assessment years after purchase. The legislature
15 may place such restrictions and conditions upon the granting of such
16 relief as it shall deem proper. Such restrictions and conditions may

1 include, but are not limited to, the limiting of the relief to those
2 property owners below a specific level of income and those fulfilling
3 certain minimum residential requirements.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the secretary of state shall cause
5 notice of the foregoing constitutional amendment to be published at
6 least four times during the four weeks next preceding the election in
7 every legal newspaper in the state.