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By Representatives Simpson, Ruderman, Fromhold, Keiser, Kessler, Hatfield, Jackley, Ogden, Conway, Schual-Berke, Lantz, Santos, Rockefeller, Veloria, Lovick and Hurst

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

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

8 Article 7, section .... Notwithstanding any other provision of  
9 this Constitution, the legislature may, by appropriate legislation,  
10 grant to property owners an exemption from property taxes levied for  
11 state purposes for the first four years a residence is owned and  
12 occupied by a first-time home buyer, to be applied to property owned by  
13 the taxpayer beginning with taxes payable in 2003.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the secretary of state shall cause  
15 notice of this constitutional amendment to be published at least four  
16 times during the four weeks next preceding the election in every legal  
17 newspaper in the state.

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