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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 8222

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By Senators Sheldon, McCaslin, Holmquist and Benton

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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 VII of the Constitution of the state of Washington by adding a  
7 new section to read as follows:

8            Article VII, section . . . . Nothing in this Article VII as amended  
9 shall prevent the legislature from providing, by appropriate  
10 legislation, property tax relief by setting base years for property tax  
11 valuation computation, limiting property tax valuation increases to one  
12 percent per year over the base year until ownership of the property  
13 changes, and limiting the tax assessed on owner-occupied property  
14 claimed as a principal place of residence. A base year shall not be  
15 set using any year before 2006.

16            BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the secretary of state shall cause  
17 notice of this constitutional amendment to be published at least four

1 times during the four weeks next preceding the election in every legal  
2 newspaper in the state.

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