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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 4214

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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 1, section 20 of the Constitution of the state of Washington to  
7 read as follows:

8            Article I, section 20. All persons charged with crime shall be  
9 bailable by sufficient sureties, except for capital offenses when the  
10 proof is evident, or the presumption great, or for any person arrested  
11 and charged for a most serious crime, as defined by law, if the person  
12 arrested had previously had any prior felony sentence commuted or  
13 pardoned, or otherwise reduced or limited by an action of the governor  
14 of any state, and proof is evident that the individual is potentially  
15 dangerous to other people in the community.

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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