
SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 8225

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By Senator Baumgartner

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

8 Article IX, section It is the second highest duty of the
9 state to make ample provision for the support of public institutions of
10 higher education. A portion of any tax on the retail sale or the use
11 of any tangible personal property, including computer software,
12 services, warranty, digital goods, codes, or services, and anything
13 else considered a retail sale, shall be dedicated to and used for
14 funding a public system of higher education within the state. The
15 dedicated portion shall be equal to the first one and three-quarters of
16 one percent of the selling price of any retail sale or use on which tax
17 is collected or received by the state.

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the secretary of state shall cause

1 notice of this constitutional amendment to be published at least four
2 times during the four weeks next preceding the election in every legal
3 newspaper in the state.

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