

ORIGINAL HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to apportionment; specifying when the legislature will meet to apportion for senators and representatives following the decennial census.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING, two-thirds of all the members of the two houses, voting separately, concurring therein:

Section 1. The following proposal to amend Wyoming Constitution, Article 3, Section 48 is proposed for submission to the electors of the State of Wyoming at the next general election for approval or rejection to become valid as a part of the Constitution if ratified by a majority of the electors at the election:

Article 3, Section 48. State census.

~~The legislature at the session next following the decennial enumeration of the inhabitants of the state made by the authority of the United States, shall revise and adjust the apportionment for senators and representatives, on the basis of such enumeration according to ratios to be fixed by law. At the first budget session of the legislature following the federal census, the legislature shall reapportion its membership based upon that census. Notwithstanding any other provision of this article, any bill to apportion the legislature may be introduced in a budget session in the same manner as in a general session.~~

Section 2. The Secretary of State shall endorse the following statement on the proposed amendment:

The adoption of this amendment will allow the legislature to reapportion its membership at the first session after all the census data is available.

Approved February 18, 1997.