

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 2

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A JOINT RESOLUTION

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 4, SECTION 22 OF THE  
CONSTITUTION OF NEW MEXICO TO HJC→~~PROVIDE THAT ALL BILLS PASSED  
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OR IN PART BY THE GOVERNOR~~←HJC HJC→**REQUIRE THE GOVERNOR TO  
PROVIDE VETO MESSAGES ON ALL BILLS VETOED IN WHOLE OR IN PART  
AND TO PROVIDE THAT ALL BILLS PASSED BY THE LEGISLATURE AND NOT  
ACTED ON BY THE GOVERNOR WILL BECOME LAW**←HJC .

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. It is proposed to amend Article 4, Section 22 of the constitution of New Mexico to read:

"A. Every bill passed by the legislature shall, before it becomes a law, be presented to the governor for approval. If [~~he~~] the governor approves, [~~he~~] the governor shall sign it and deposit it with the secretary of state; [~~otherwise, he~~] if the governor disapproves, the governor shall veto it and return it to the house in which it originated [~~with his objections, which shall~~] to be entered at large upon the journal; and such bill shall not become a law unless thereafter approved by two-thirds of the members present and voting in each house by yea and nay vote entered upon its journal. Any bill not returned by the governor within three days, Sundays excepted, after being presented to [~~him~~] the governor, shall become a law, whether signed by [~~him~~] the governor or not, unless the legislature by adjournment prevent such return.

B. Every bill presented to the governor during the last three days of the session shall be approved or vetoed by [~~him~~] the governor within twenty days after the adjournment and shall be by [~~him~~] the governor immediately deposited with the secretary of state. Unless [~~so approved and signed~~] vetoed by [~~him~~] the governor, such a bill passed by the legislature shall [~~not~~] become a law.

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C. The governor may in like manner approve or disapprove any part or parts, item or items, of any bill appropriating money, and such parts or items approved shall become a law, and such as are disapproved shall be void unless passed over [~~his~~] the governor's veto [~~as herein provided~~].

D. Any veto of a bill in whole or in part by the governor shall include HJC→an←HJC HJC→a substantive←HJC explanation for the veto. The explanation for the veto shall be returned with the bill to the house in which the bill originated or deposited with the bill with the secretary of state, as herein provided."

SECTION 2. The amendment proposed by this resolution shall be submitted to the people for their approval or rejection at the next general election or at any special election prior to that date that may be called for that purpose.