HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 2

44TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2000

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A JOINT RESOLUTION

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 7 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF
NEW MEXICO TO ALLOW MUNICIPALITIES TO CONDUCT RUNOFF
ELECTIONS.

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

Section 1. It is proposed to amend Article 7, Section 5
of the constitution of New Mexico to read:

"A. All elections shall be by ballot [and]. The
person who receives the highest number of votes for any
office, except as provided in Subsection B of this section,
and except in the cases of the offices of governor and
lieutenant governor, shall be declared elected [thereto] to
that office. The joint candidates receiving the highest
number of votes for the offices of governor and lieutenant
governor shall be declared elected to those offices.

B. A municipality may, by ordinance, provide for

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1   runoff elections."

2   Section 2. The amendment proposed by this resolution

3   shall be submitted to the people for their approval or

4   rejection at the next general election or at any special

5   election prior to that date which may be called for that

6   purpose.

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