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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 5

42ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION,
1996

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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.

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B. A municipality may, by resolution, provide for runoff elections. "

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 which may be called for that purpose.

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SECOND SESSION, 1996

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February 10, 1996

Mr. President:

Your JUDICIARY COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

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has had it under consideration and reports same with
recommendation that it DO PASS, amended as follows:

1. On page 1, line 25, strike "resolution" and insert in lieu thereof "ordinance".

Respectfully submitted,

Janice D. Paster, Chairman

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The roll call vote was 4 For 2 Against

Yes: 4

No: Sanchez, Paster

Excused: Carraro, Stefani cs, Tsosie

Absent: None

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**State of New Mexico
House of Representatives**

**FORTY- SECOND LEGISLATURE
SECOND SESSION, 1996**

February 14, 1996

Mr. Speaker:

**Your VOTERS AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE, to whom has
been referred**

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**has had it under consideration and reports same with
recommendation that it DO PASS, and thence referred to the
GOVERNMENT AND URBAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE.**

Respectfully submitted,

Edward C. Sandoval, Chairman

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Date _____

The roll call vote was 8 For 1 Against

Yes: 8

No: Lujan

Excused: Coll, Nicely, R. G. Sanchez

Absent: None

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