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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 20

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

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A JOINT RESOLUTION

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 6 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF NEW MEXICO TO PROHIBIT THE COURTS FROM ORDERING THE STATE OR ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION TO LEVY OR INCREASE TAXES.

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

Section 1. It is proposed to amend Article 6 of the constitution of New Mexico by adding a new Section 39 to read:

"Neither the supreme court nor any inferior court of the state shall have the power to instruct or order the state or political subdivision or an official of the state or political subdivision to levy or increase taxes. "

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