



**HOUSE JOINT
RESOLUTION No. 16**

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

Citations Affected: Article 10 of the Indiana Constitution.

Synopsis: Referenda on tax increases. Prohibits the imposition of a new state tax or an increase of a state tax from taking effect until the new tax or tax increase has been approved by the voters in a referendum. This proposed amendment has not been previously agreed to by a general assembly.

Effective: This proposed amendment must be agreed to by two consecutive general assemblies and ratified by a majority of the state's voters voting on the question to be effective.

Borders

January 25, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

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Introduced

First Regular Session 114th General Assembly (2005)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2004 Regular General Assembly.

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A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to Article 10 of the Indiana Constitution concerning taxation.

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of the
- 2 State of Indiana is proposed and agreed to by this, the One Hundred
- 3 Fourteenth General Assembly of the State of Indiana, and is referred to
- 4 the next General Assembly for reconsideration and agreement.
- 5 SECTION 2. ARTICLE 10 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE
- 6 STATE OF INDIANA IS AMENDED BY ADDING A NEW
- 7 SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS: **Section 9. Except as necessary**
- 8 **to maintain the public safety during an invasion or a rebellion, a**
- 9 **law imposing a new state tax or increasing an existing state tax is**
- 10 **effective only after a majority of the voters voting on the question**
- 11 **in a statewide general election approve the law.**

