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Summary: Property tax assessors elected for a term of four years

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**VERSIONS OF THIS BILL**

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**A** **JOINT RESOLUTION**

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE VII OF THE CONSTITUTION OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1895, RELATING TO COUNTIES AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT, BY ADDING A NEW SECTION SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THERE MUST BE ELECTED IN EACH COUNTY A PROPERTY TAX ASSESSOR WHO SHALL SERVE FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS AND UNTIL HIS SUCCESSOR IS ELECTED AND QUALIFIES AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY BY GENERAL LAW SHALL PROVIDE FOR THE DUTIES, QUALIFICATIONS, AND COMPENSATION OF COUNTY PROPERTY TAX ASSESSORS.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. It is proposed that Article VII of the Constitution of this State be amended by adding a new section at the end to read:

“Section 16. The qualified electors of each county shall elect a county property tax assessor for the county. The county property tax assessor shall serve for a term of four years and until his successor is elected and qualified. The General Assembly by general law shall provide for the election, duties, qualifications, and compensation of county property tax assessors.”

SECTION 2. The proposed amendment must be submitted to the qualified electors at the next general election for representatives. Ballots must be provided at the various voting precincts with the following words printed or written on the ballot:

“Must Article VII of the Constitution of this State, relating to counties and county government, be amended by adding a new section so as to provide that the qualified electors of each county shall elect a county property tax assessor for the county, to provide that the county property tax assessor shall serve for a term of four years and until his successor is elected and qualified, and to provide that the General Assembly by general law shall provide for the election, duties, qualifications, and compensation of county property tax assessors?

Yes 

No 

Those voting in favor of the question shall deposit a ballot with a check or cross mark in the square after the word ‘Yes’, and those voting against the question shall deposit a ballot with a check or cross mark in the square after the word ‘No’.”

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