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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 8211

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1            BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
2 STATE OF WASHINGTON, IN LEGISLATIVE SESSION ASSEMBLED:

3            THAT, At the next general election to be held in this state there  
4 shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the state for their  
5 approval and ratification, or rejection, an amendment to Article VII,  
6 section 10 of the Constitution of the state of Washington to read as  
7 follows:

8            Article VII, section 10. Notwithstanding the provisions of Article  
9 7, section 1 (Amendment 14) and Article 7, section 2 (Amendment 17),  
10 the following tax exemption shall be allowed as to real property:

11            The legislature shall have the power, by appropriate legislation,  
12 to grant to retired property owners relief from the property tax on the  
13 real property occupied as a residence by those owners and to grant to  
14 property owners relief from the property tax on the real property which  
15 is leased to disabled persons as a residence. The legislature may  
16 place such restrictions and conditions upon the granting of such relief  
17 as it shall deem proper. Such restrictions and conditions may include,  
18 but are not limited to, the limiting of the relief to those property  
19 owners below a specific level of income and those fulfilling certain  
20 minimum residential requirements.

1       BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the secretary of state shall cause  
2 notice of the foregoing constitutional amendment to be published at  
3 least four times during the four weeks next preceding the election in  
4 every legal newspaper in the state.

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