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**SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 8210**

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**State of Washington**

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**By** Senator Palumbo

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 the  
4 secretary of state shall submit to the qualified voters of the state  
5 for their approval and ratification, or rejection, an amendment to  
6 Article VII of the Constitution of the state of Washington by adding  
7 a new section to read as follows:

8       Article VII, section . . . . Beginning January 1, 2020, the  
9 legislature may not modify the state's gross receipts business tax by  
10 increasing the tax rate or providing differential tax rates without  
11 the approval of at least two-thirds of the members elected to each  
12 house of the legislature, or in the alternative, without the approval  
13 of a majority of the voters voting on a proposition to increase or  
14 otherwise modify such tax. This section does not apply to activities  
15 subject to the state's public utility tax as of January 1, 2019.

16       BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the secretary of state shall cause  
17 notice of this constitutional amendment to be published at least four  
18 times during the four weeks next preceding the election in every  
19 legal newspaper in the state.

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