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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 4230

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- 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 of
- 6 the Constitution of the state of Washington by adding thereto a new
- 7 section to read as follows:
- 8 Article VII, section The legislature may enact taxes imposed
- 9 on or measured by net income as defined by the legislature. The
- 10 standard deductions and personal exemptions for income received by
- 11 individuals shall never be reduced below the amounts provided in the
- 12 act initially adopting the income tax. No local government may enact
- 13 taxes imposed on or measured by net income. Income is not property
- 14 within the meaning of this article, and an income tax is not a tax on
- 15 property. The legislature may by law coordinate the administration and
- 16 collection of state income taxes with the income tax laws, regulations,

- 1 and procedures of the United States. The legislature may adopt by
- 2 reference any federal statutes relating to federal income taxes,
- 3 including future amendments thereto.
- 4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the secretary of state shall cause
- 5 notice of the foregoing constitutional amendment to be published at
- 6 least four times during the four weeks next preceding the election in
- 7 every legal newspaper in the state.