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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 8210

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- BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
- 2 THE 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 a new section to
- 7 read as follows:
- 8 Article VII, section The legislature may provide that every
- 9 homeowner and tenant actually residing in a residence shall be entitled
- 10 to a property tax reimbursement for that residence in the following
- 11 amounts: For homeowners, the amount of property tax paid above five
- 12 percent of the homeowner's annual income; and for tenants, the amount
- 13 that eleven percent of the annual rent paid by the tenants exceeds five
- 14 percent of the tenants' annual income. The reimbursement shall be
- 15 reduced by the amount of any exemption allowed under Article VII,
- 16 section 10.

- 1 The legislature may place such restrictions and conditions upon
- 2 this property tax reimbursement as it shall deem proper.
- 3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the secretary of state shall cause
- 4 notice of the foregoing constitutional amendment to be published at
- 5 least four times during the four weeks next preceding the election in
- 6 every legal newspaper in the state.