

SHJR 4220 - H AMD 1028

By Representative Hurst

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1 Strike everything after "ASSEMBLED:" on page 1, line 2, and insert
2 the following:

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 1, section 20 of the Constitution of the state of Washington by
7 adding a new section to read as follows:

8 Article I, section 20. All persons charged with crime shall be
9 bailable by sufficient sureties, except for capital offenses and
10 offenses punishable by life in prison, when the proof is evident, or
11 the presumption great.

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

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this act shall be known as the
17 Lakewood law enforcement memorial act."

EFFECT: Removes the language giving a judge discretion to deny bail to a person charged with a crime if only the pretrial detention of the person will reasonably assure public safety. Provides instead that a judge may deny bail for a person charged with an offense punishable by life in prison.

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