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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 4

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE COLEMAN.

DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

JOINT RESOLUTION

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri an amendment repealing Section 4(b) of Article X of the Constitution of Missouri, and adopting one new section in lieu thereof relating to property tax assessments.

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring therein:

That at the next general election to be held in the state of Missouri, on Tuesday next 2 following the first Monday in November, 2026, or at a special election to be called by the governor for that purpose, there is hereby submitted to the qualified voters of this state, for 3 4 adoption or rejection, the following amendment to Article X of the Constitution of the state of 5 Missouri: Section A. Section 4(b), Article X, Constitution of Missouri, is repealed and one new section adopted in lieu thereof, to be known as Section 4(b), to read as follows: 2 Section 4(b). 1. Property in classes 1 and 2 and subclasses of those classes[-] shall be 2 assessed for tax purposes at its value or such percentage of its value as may be fixed by law for each class and for each subclass. Property in class 3 and its subclasses shall be taxed only 3 4 to the extent authorized and at the rate fixed by law for each class and subclass, and the tax shall be based on the annual yield and shall not exceed eight percent thereof. Property in 5 class 1 shall be subclassed in the following classifications: 6

- 7 (1) Residential property;
- 8 (2) Agricultural and horticultural property;

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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9 (3) Utility, industrial, commercial, railroad, and all other property not included in 10 subclasses (1) and (2) of class 1.

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Property in the subclasses of class 1 may be defined by law, however subclasses (1), (2), and (3) shall not be further divided, provided, land in subclass (2) may by general law be assessed for tax purposes on its productive capability. The same percentage of value shall be applied to all properties within any subclass. No classes or subclass shall have a percentage of its true value in money in excess of thirty-three and one-third percent.

17 2. (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 1 of this section and section 3 18 of this article to the contrary, beginning January 1, 2027, for all residential real property 19 that has been maintained by the homeowner as his or her primary residence, the true 20 value of such property shall be deemed to be the same value determined at the most 21 recent previous assessment of the property.

22 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (1) of this subsection to the 23 contrary, in a new assessment or reassessment of residential real property that has been 24 maintained by the homeowner as his or her primary residence, the assessed valuation of 25 such property may be increased from the assessed valuation of such property 26 determined at its most recent previous assessment, provided that such increase does not exceed the change in the consumer price index since the most recent previous 27 28 assessment or up to a two percent annual increase in the assessed valuation of the 29 property, whichever is less. Such limited increase may be exceeded to reflect the value 30 added to the property as a result of new construction or improvements made to the 31 property as determined by the county appraisal system.

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