

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 147

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE TAYLOR (48).

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JOSEPH ENGLER, Chief Clerk

JOINT RESOLUTION

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri an amendment repealing Section 38(b) of Article III of the Constitution of Missouri, and adopting one new section in lieu thereof relating to the blind pension fund.

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 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 adoption or rejection, the following amendment to Article III of the Constitution of the state of Missouri:

Section A. Section 38(b), Article III, Constitution of Missouri, is repealed and one new section adopted in lieu thereof, to be known as Section 38(b), to read as follows:

Section 38(b). The general assembly shall provide an annual ~~[tax of not less than one-half of one cent nor more than three cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of all taxable property to be levied and collected as other taxes,]~~ **appropriation** for the purpose of providing a fund to be appropriated and used for the pensioning of the deserving blind as provided by law. **The amount appropriated each year shall be at least the same amount the general assembly appropriated to the fund for the 2026-27 fiscal year.** Any balance remaining in the fund after the payment of the pensions may be appropriated for the adequate

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.

8 support of the commission for the blind, and any remaining balance shall be transferred to the
9 distributive public school fund.

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