

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PETITION FORM

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Name _____ Date of Birth _____

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I am a registered voter of Florida and hereby petition the Secretary of State to place the following amendment to the Florida Constitution on the ballot in the general election.

AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE VII, SECTION 2 ("Taxes; rate") OF THE FLORIDA CONSTITUTION

BALLOT TITLE - REFERENDUM APPROVAL REQUIRED FOR AD VALOREM TAX REVENUE INCREASES IN EXCESS OF THREE PER CENT.

BALLOT SUMMARY - THIS PROPOSED AMENDMENT IS DESIGNED TO AMEND ARTICLE VII, SECTION 2 ("Taxes; rate") OF THE FLORIDA CONSTITUTION SO AS TO REQUIRE REFERENDUM APPROVAL OF ANTICIPATED AD VALOREM TAX REVENUE INCREASES IN EXCESS OF THREE PER CENT OVER THE AMOUNT OF AD VALOREM TAX REVENUE COLLECTED IN THE PRIOR YEAR.

FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT -
ARTICLE VII, SECTION 2 ("Taxes; rate") OF THE FLORIDA CONSTITUTION IS HEREBY AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

"SECTION 2. Taxes; rate. - All ad valorem taxation shall be at a uniform rate within each taxing unit, except the taxes on intangible personal property may be at different rates but shall never exceed two mills on the dollar of assessed value; provided, as to any obligations secured by mortgage, deed of trust, or other lien on real estate wherever located, an intangible tax of not more than two mills on the dollar may be levied by law to be in lieu of all other intangible assessments on such obligations. In setting ad valorem taxation rates, each authority setting such rates shall start at the "rolled-back rate," which is defined as the ad valorem rate which the applicable tax assessors have certified will, if timely and fully collected, provide the authority with the same ad valorem tax revenues as were collected during the prior year. Without referendum approval, the taxing authority may set the ad valorem taxation rate at that rolled-back rate or below. Without referendum approval, the taxing authority may also increase the ad valorem taxation rate so as to increase the anticipated ad valorem tax revenues by up to three per cent over the ad valorem tax revenues collected during the prior year. In the event the taxing authority wishes to set the ad valorem taxation rate so as to raise anticipated ad valorem tax revenues by in excess of three per cent over what was collected in the prior year, the authority must first obtain referendum approval for such increase by the voters of each taxing unit subject to that increase."

DATE OF SIGNATURE

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SIGNATURE OF REGISTERED VOTER

This petition is a paid political advertisement, paid for by Ax the Tax, a statewide political committee, located at 750 S. Orlando, Avenue in Winter Park, FL 32789.

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