
SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 8216

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By Senators Braun and Rolfes

1 BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
2 STATE OF WASHINGTON, IN LEGISLATIVE SESSION ASSEMBLED:

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

8 Article II, section The governor shall propose, and the
9 legislature shall enact, an omnibus operating appropriations bill
10 that balances in the current fiscal biennium and next ensuing fiscal
11 biennium. The requirement to balance over the next ensuing fiscal
12 biennium is not required in a fiscal biennium when money is
13 appropriated from the budget stabilization account under Article VII,
14 section 12(d)(ii) of this Constitution or when the legislature waives
15 this requirement by the favorable vote of at least three-fifths of
16 the members elected or appointed to each house of the legislature.
17 The legislature shall enact appropriate laws to carry out the
18 purposes of this section.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the secretary of state shall cause
20 notice of this constitutional amendment to be published at least four

1 times during the four weeks next preceding the election in every
2 legal newspaper in the state.

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