

House Bill No. 5-B

An act relating to a special election; providing for a special election to be held January 29, 2008, pursuant to Section 5 of Article XI of the State Constitution, for the approval or rejection by the electors of this state of amendments to the State Constitution, proposed by joint resolution, relating to a tangible personal property tax exemption, homestead property assessments, assessment of rent-restricted affordable housing and commercial and public-access waterfront property, increased homestead exemption, limiting local government authority to increase ad valorem taxes, and transitional homestead property assessments; providing for publication of notice and for procedures; providing an appropriation; providing a contingent effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Pursuant to Section 5 of Article XI of the State Constitution, there shall be a special election on January 29, 2008, to be held concurrently with other statewide elections held on that date, if any, at which there shall be submitted to the electors of this state for approval or rejection the amendments to the State Constitution proposed in House Joint Resolution 3B or Senate Joint Resolution 4B, 2007B Special Session.

Section 2. Publication of notice shall be in accordance with Section 5 of Article XI of the State Constitution. The special election shall be held as other special elections are held.

Section 3. The sum of \$60,000 in nonrecurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is appropriated to the Department of State for fiscal year 2007-2008 for the purpose of advertising the constitutional amendments being submitted to the electors of this state at the special election called by this act.

Section 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law if enacted by a vote of at least three-fourths of the membership of each house of the Legislature and if House Joint Resolution 3B or Senate Joint Resolution 4B, 2007B Special Session, is adopted by both houses of the Legislature.

Approved by the Governor June 21, 2007.

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