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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 2, as amended

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A JOINT RESOLUTION

PROPOSING TO AMEND ARTICLE 7, SECTION 1 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF  
NEW MEXICO TO PROVIDE THAT SCHOOL ELECTIONS SHALL BE HELD AT  
DIFFERENT TIMES FROM PARTISAN ELECTIONS.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. It is proposed to amend Article 7, Section 1  
of the constitution of New Mexico to read:


"A. Every citizen of the United States who is over  
the age of twenty-one years and has resided in New Mexico  
twelve months, in the county ninety days, and in the precinct  
in which the person offers to vote thirty days, next preceding  
the election, except idiots, insane persons and persons  
convicted of a felonious or infamous crime unless restored to  
political rights, shall be qualified to vote at all elections  
for public officers. The legislature may enact laws providing  
for absentee voting by qualified electors. All school  
elections shall be held at different times from partisan  
elections.

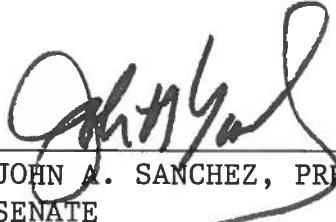
B. The legislature shall have the power to require  
the registration of the qualified electors as a requisite for  
voting and shall regulate the manner, time and places of  
voting. The legislature shall enact such laws as will secure  
the secrecy of the ballot and the purity of elections and  
guard against the abuse of elective franchise. Not more than

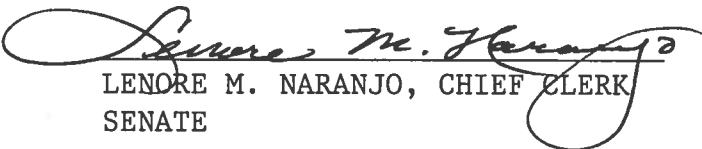
1 two members of the board of registration and not more than two  
2 judges of election shall belong to the same political party at  
3 the time of their appointment."

4 SECTION 2. The amendment proposed by this resolution  
5 shall be submitted to the people for their approval or  
6 rejection at the next general election or at any special  
7 election prior to that date that may be called for that  
8 purpose.

  
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