

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 6

BY WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

A JOINT RESOLUTION

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE X OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 8, ARTICLE X, RELATING TO ENGLISH AS THE OFFICIAL LANGUAGE OF THE STATE OF IDAHO; STATING THE QUESTION TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE ELECTORATE; DIRECTING THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL TO PREPARE THE STATEMENTS REQUIRED BY LAW; AND DIRECTING THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO PUBLISH THE AMENDMENT AND ARGUMENTS AS REQUIRED BY LAW.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Article X of the Constitution of the State of Idaho, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a NEW SECTION, to be known and designated as Section 8, Article X of the Constitution of the State of Idaho and to read as follows:

Section 8. ENGLISH THE OFFICIAL STATE LANGUAGE. The English language shall be the official language for the state of Idaho. Except as required by federal law, English shall be used in all public proceedings, public documents, public instruction, and any other public acts of any public institution in the state of Idaho.

SECTION 2. The question to be submitted to the electors of the State of Idaho at the next general election shall be as follows:

"Shall Article X of the Constitution of the State of Idaho be amended by the addition of a new Section 8, to provide that the English language shall be the official language for the state of Idaho, and to further provide that, except as required by federal law, English shall be used in all public proceedings, public documents, public instruction, and any other public acts of any public institution in the state of Idaho?".

SECTION 3. The Legislative Council is directed to prepare the statements required by Section 67-453, Idaho Code, and file the same.

SECTION 4. The Secretary of State is hereby directed to publish this proposed constitutional amendment and arguments as required by law.