

CONSTITUTIONAL BALLOT.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF MISSOURI, AND REFERENDUM PROPOSITIONS ORDERED BY THE PETITION OF THE PEOPLE.

FIRST CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

Amending the Initiative and Referendum Law to restrict the submission of so-called "single tax" measures and making certain other provisions affecting the use of said law.

Joint and concurrent resolution submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri an amendment to the Constitution thereof, concerning the initiative and referendum; repealing section 57 of article 4 of the Constitution and enacting a new section in lieu thereof.

Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring therein, as follows:

That at the general election to be held in this state on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1914, there shall be submitted for adoption to the qualified voters of the state the following amendment to the Constitution:

Section 1. That section 57 of article 4 of the Constitution of the state of Missouri is hereby repealed.

Sec. 2. That in lieu of the said section 57 of article 4 of the Constitution of Missouri hereby repealed there shall be enacted the following new section to be known as section 57 of article 4, viz:

Sec. 57. The legislative authority of the state shall be vested in a legislative assembly consisting of the senate and house of representatives, but the people reserve to themselves power to propose laws and amendments to the Constitution and to enact or reject the same at the polls, independent of the legislative assembly, and also reserve power at their own option to approve or reject at the polls any act of the legislative assembly.

The first power reserved by the people in the initiative, and not more than one measure, shall be submitted to each of at least two-thirds of the congressional districts in the state shall be required to propose any measure by such petition, and every such petition shall include the full text of the measure so proposed. Initiative petitions shall be filed with the respective county clerk of the respective counties in which the signers thereof reside and vote not less than four months before the election at which they are to be voted upon.

Within 30 days after said petition is filed with the respective county clerk of the respective counties said initiative petitions shall be, by said respective county clerk laid before the county courts of the respective counties and said petitions shall be examined by the respective county courts of the respective counties, and if the signatures thereon are genuine signatures of voters of such counties, they shall, at least three months before the election at which they are to be voted upon, be certified by the respective county courts of the respective counties to the secretary of state.

The same manner in which the referendum and it may be ordered (except as to matters of taxation hereinafter mentioned, and as to laws necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health or safety, and laws necessary for the support of the state government or the maintenance of the state institutions) either by petitions signed by five per cent of the legal voters in each of at least two-thirds of the congressional districts in the state, or by the legislative assembly as otherwise provided.

Referendum petitions shall be filed with the county clerk of the respective counties in which the signers thereof reside and vote not more than 90 days after the final adjournment of the session of the legislative assembly which passed the measure the referendum is amended, and within 30 days thereafter the clerk of the county courts of the respective counties shall examine and review said referendum petitions, and if the signatures thereon are genuine signatures of voters of such counties, the respective county courts shall certify said petitions to the secretary of state within 120 days after the final adjournment of the session of the legislative assembly which passed the measure the referendum is amended.

The veto power of the governor shall not extend to measures referred to the people at the general election, and the power of the legislative assembly shall order a special election. Any measure referred to the people shall take effect and become the law when it is approved by a majority of the voters cast thereon, and not otherwise. The veto of all bills shall be the same as is provided in the Constitution of Missouri.

This section shall not be construed to deprive any member of the legislative assembly of his right to introduce any measure. The whole number of votes cast for justice of the supreme court at the regular election preceding the filing of any petition for the initiative, or for the referendum, shall be counted. Petitions and orders for the initiative and referendum shall be certified to and filed with the secretary of state, and in submitting the same to the people the secretary of state shall certify to the people the full text of the measure proposed.

shall cease and determine and its rights as owner, of said utility or plant, shall cease and determine; and thereafter said utility or plant shall be operated by the party named in said order of the court, or his successors or assigns, in conformity with and subject to the provisions of the ordinance authorizing the acquisition or purchase or construction of said public utility or plant and the issuance of bonds therefor; but Kansas City shall not issue any such bonds without the assent of two-thirds of the voters thereof voting on that proposition at an election to be held for that purpose; and such proposition may be submitted at a special election or at a general election, in either of which events if two-thirds of all the legal votes cast on such proposition are in favor of the issue of said bonds, the city shall have authority to issue the same; and Kansas City may also issue its bonds other than public utility bonds, for the payment, in whole or in part, for such public utilities, and such bonds other than public utility bonds shall constitute a direct obligation of the city, but the total amount of such bonds other than public utility bonds shall not exceed in the aggregate five per centum of the taxable property therein, as hereinafter provided. Such utility may be acquired by condemnation proceedings in the same manner that Kansas City may acquire real estate for public purposes, or in such other manner as may be provided by law. That whenever any public utility is being operated by any person, firm or corporation under a grant or permit from Kansas City, and the owner or operator of such utility is complying with the provisions of the grant under which the same is being operated, and such utility and its owner are subject, and with all reasonable orders of any public officer, committee, commission or other authority having the power to make and acquire such utility except as provided in such grant, or by agreement with the owner thereof. But the judgment of any court of competent jurisdiction that such owner or operator of such utility is not complying with such obligations, duties or orders shall authorize the acquisition by Kansas City of such utility.

SEVENTH CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

Giving the General Assembly optional power to make provisions for the granting and payment of pensions or allowances to the deserving blind.

Joint and concurrent resolution submitting to the qualified voters of the state of Missouri an amendment to the Constitution thereof, concerning the granting and payment of pensions or allowances to the deserving blind.

Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring therein, as follows:

That at the general election to be held on Tuesday next following the first Monday in November, A. D. 1914, the following amendment to the Constitution of Missouri, concerning the granting and payment of pensions or allowances to the deserving blind, shall be submitted to the qualified voters of said state, to-wit: qualified voters of the state of Missouri be amended by adding thereto the following words: "and provided, further, that nothing in this or the preceding section shall be construed as prohibiting the general assembly from making provision by law for the granting and payment of pensions or allowances to the deserving blind, or from authorizing by law any counties, cities or incorporated towns or villages of this state to provide for the granting and payment of such pensions or allowances."

EIGHTH CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

Authorizing certain large cities to amend their charters by such different methods as are now provided.

Joint and concurrent resolution submitting to the qualified voters of the state of Missouri an amendment to section 16, article IX of the Constitution of Missouri, authorizing certain large cities to amend their charters by such different methods as are now provided.

Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring therein, as follows:

Section 1. That section 16, of article IX of the Constitution of the state of Missouri shall be amended by striking out the last sentence thereof, which now reads as follows: "Such charter, so adopted, may be amended by the lawmaking authorities of such city, published for at least three weeks in three newspapers of largest circulation in such city, one of which shall be a newspaper printed in the German language, and accepted by three-fifths of the qualified voters of such city, voting at a general or special election, and not otherwise; but such charter shall always be in harmony with and subject to the Constitution and laws of the state," and inserting in lieu thereof the following words: "Such charter, so adopted, may be amended by a proposition submitted by the lawmaking authorities of such city, published for at least three weeks in two newspapers printed therein, which have a bona fide sale or circulation in said city, of at least one hundred copies, one of which shall be a daily newspaper printed in the German language, and which has been published continuously for at least three weeks next before such publication, such publication to be made at least once each week and on the same day of the week in the last publication to be within two weeks of the date of such election. Such proposition shall be accepted by three-fifths of the qualified voters of such city voting on such proposition at a general or special election, and not otherwise; and if three-fifths of all the legal votes cast on such proposition are in favor of such amendment to the charter, such amendment shall be adopted; such charter and all amendments thereof shall always be in harmony with and subject to the Constitution and laws of the state. So that hereafter any city having a population of more than one hundred thousand inhabitants may frame a charter for its own government, consistent with and subject to the Constitution and laws of this state, by causing a board of thirteen freeholders, who shall have the temporary and sessions when they may receive five dollars per day for one hundred and twenty days and one dollar per diem for the remainder of each session, except the first session held under this Constitution and laws revising sessions when they may receive five dollars per day and one dollar per diem for the remainder of each session. In addition to per diem" and by inserting and adopting in place of said words so stricken out the following words: "The members of the general assembly shall severally receive an annual salary of one thousand dollars. In addition to said salary, so that said section 16, of article 4, of said Constitution, when so amended shall be and read as follows:

THIRD CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

Providing for levying and collecting a state tax of ten cents on each one hundred dollars valuation for the construction and maintenance of public roads in the several counties of the state.

Joint and concurrent resolution submitting to the qualified voters of the state of Missouri an amendment to the Constitution thereof, concerning taxation.

Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring therein, as follows:

Section 1. That article X of the Constitution of Missouri be and the same is hereby amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section twenty-seven (27), which is in words and figures as follows:

Section 27. A state tax of ten cents on the one hundred dollars assessed valuation shall be levied and collected on all objects and subjects of taxation in the same manner in which the county taxes are collected. All moneys derived from said levy shall be set apart as a special fund to be appropriated and used for the construction and maintenance of public roads in the several counties of the state in such manner as may be provided by law.

FOURTH CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

Changing the compensation of members of the General Assembly from per diem during session to annual salary of \$1,000.00.

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring therein, as follows:

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows: Section 1. That section 16, of article 4, of the state Constitution be and the same is hereby amended by striking out the following words: "The members of the general assembly shall severally receive from the public treasury such compensation for their services as may from time to time be provided by law, not to exceed five dollars per day for the first seventy days of each session and after that not to exceed one dollar per day for the remainder of the session, except the first session held under this Constitution and laws revising sessions when they may receive five dollars per day and one dollar per diem for the remainder of each session. In addition to per diem" and by inserting and adopting in place of said words so stricken out the following words: "The members of the general assembly shall severally receive an annual salary of one thousand dollars. In addition to said salary, so that said section 16, of article 4, of said Constitution, when so amended shall be and read as follows:

Section 16. The members of the general assembly shall severally receive for their services an annual salary of one thousand dollars and in addition to said salary, the members shall be entitled to receive traveling expenses or mileage greater than that provided by law, but no member shall be entitled to traveling expenses or mileage over and above the amount of one hundred dollars per session.

TENTH PROPOSITION.

Referendum ordered by the petition of the people.

House bill No. 19, enacted by Forty-seventh General Assembly. Amending the local option laws so as to make the counties the sole units to determine whether or not intoxicating liquors shall be sold, furnished or given away within their jurisdiction.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section 1. That section 47 of article 4 of the Constitution of Missouri be amended by adding thereto the following words: "and provided, further, that nothing in this or the preceding section shall be construed as prohibiting the general assembly from making provision by law for the granting and payment of pensions or allowances to the deserving blind, or from authorizing by law any counties, cities or incorporated towns or villages of this state to provide for the granting and payment of such pensions or allowances."

Section 2. That section 7238, of article III of the Revised Statutes of Missouri for the year 1909 be amended by striking out the words "corporation" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "city or town having at least 2,500 inhabitants or more" in the second, third and fourth lines of said section and by adding in such line of said section between the word "sold" and the word "within" the words "furnished or given away," and by striking out the words "lying outside of such corporate limits of such city or town" in the tenth and eleventh lines of said section; and by striking out the words "who is a resident of any incorporated town having a population of 2,500 inhabitants or more" in the seventh, eighth and ninth lines of said section and by adding to said section the words, provided, further, that one-half of the judges in said county shall be for the sale of intoxicating liquors, and one-half of said judges against the sale of intoxicating liquors."

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

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of the state of Missouri, by the attorney-general, or under his direction in any court of competent jurisdiction in any county in said state into or through which such railroad or railway may run or be operated, or by the prosecuting attorney of any county in said state through, or into, or out of which such railroad or railway may run or be operated, or by the circuit attorney in the city of St. Louis; provided, the penalty prescribed in this section shall not apply during strikes of men in train service on the lines involved.

Approved April 15, 1912.

ELEVENTH PROPOSITION.

Referendum ordered by the petition of the people.

House bill No. 7, enacted by Forty-seventh General Assembly. Abolishing the present office of excise commissioner as appointed by the governor in cities having a population of three hundred thousand inhabitants or more and providing for appointment by the mayor of such cities, in lieu of such excise commissioner, of a bi-parliamentary board of excise commissioners, and prescribing the number, qualifications, duties and salaries of the members thereof; and providing that all fees and taxes received from dramshop licenses in such cities shall be paid over to the treasurers of such cities.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section 1. Sections 7230 and 7237 of article two, of chapter sixty-three of the Revised Statutes of Missouri of 1909, entitled "Excise commissioner," and to enact new sections in lieu thereof.

Section 1. Sections 7230 and 7237 of article 2 of chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri of 1909, are hereby repealed and the following new sections in lieu thereof are hereby enacted to be designated sections 7230 and 7237.

Sec. 7230. In all cities in this state which now have or may hereafter have a population of three hundred thousand inhabitants or more, there is hereby created a board of excise commissioners to consist of five members, who shall have exclusive authority to grant dramshop licenses. One of the commissioners so appointed shall be a member of the leading political party opposed to that to which the mayor belongs. Every excise commissioner, before entering upon the duties of his office, shall take and subscribe an oath or affirmation that he possesses the qualifications for such office prescribed by law, that he will support the Constitution of the United States and of the state of Missouri; that he will demean himself faithfully in office, and shall execute and deliver to the city wherein he is appointed, a penal bond, the amount of which shall be fixed by the mayor, in the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00), conditional that he will faithfully perform all the duties of his office as such excise commissioner, and the same hereby amended by adding thereto the words "and shall be a member of the leading political party opposed to that to which the mayor belongs, and shall execute and deliver to the city wherein he is appointed, a penal bond, the amount of which shall be fixed by the mayor, in the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00), conditional that he will faithfully perform all the 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