

An Amendment to the State Constitution

To Be Submitted to the Qualified Electors of the State for Their Approval
or Rejection at the

GENERAL ELECTION

TO BE HELD ON

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1932

CONCISE STATEMENT

AN AMENDMENT of sections 2, 3 and 6, Article II and sections 1 and 2, Article XXII of the constitution, relating to the legislature, by fixing the number of members thereof and reapportioning the same until and including the regular session of 1941, providing that thereafter the legislature shall reapportion its members upon the basis of each federal census and that if the legislature fails to act such reapportionment shall be performed by the governor and providing for the election and terms of office of senators.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5.

Relating to submitting amendments to the State Constitution, providing for reapportionment of the Legislature.

Be It Resolved, By the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Washington in legislative session assembled: That at the general election to be held in this state on the Tuesday next succeeding the first Monday in November, 1932, there shall be submitted to the qualified electors of this state for their adoption and approval, or rejection, amendments to sections 2, 3 and 6 of article II, and sections 1 and 2 of article XXII of the Constitution of the State of Washington, so that the same shall, when amended, read as follows:

ARTICLE II.

Section 2. The House of Representatives shall be composed, prior to and including the session of 1941, of ninety-eight members and the Senate of forty-five members, and at the regular session of 1943 and thereafter, the House of Representatives shall be composed of not to exceed ninety-nine members, and the Senate shall be composed of not to exceed forty-nine members.

Section 3. At the first regular session after each enumeration of the inhabitants of the state made by the authority of the United States, the legislature shall apportion and district anew, in districts of convenient and contiguous territory consecutively numbered, the members of the House of Representatives, according to the number of inhabitants as shown by such enumeration: *Provided*, That each county shall have at least one member of the House of Representatives, and no county shall have more than twenty-one per cent of the maximum membership as above provided, and each representative district shall be of contiguous territory, and no district shall extend into more than one county, and no district shall have more than two representatives, except districts in a county having three or other odd number of representatives, in which case one district may have either one or three representatives.

Section 6. At the first regular session after each enumeration of the inhabitants of the state made by authority of the United States, the legislature shall apportion and district anew, in districts of convenient and contiguous territory, consecutively numbered, the members of the Senate, according to the number of inhabit-

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ants, as shown by such enumeration: *Provided*, That any county may contain one or more senatorial districts, and a senatorial district may consist of not to exceed three contiguous counties, but no senatorial district shall consist of portions of more than one county, and no representative district shall be divided in the formation of a senatorial district.

At the first regular biennial election after each reapportionment and redistricting, as above provided, a senator shall be elected in each odd-numbered district, for the term of two years beginning on the second Monday in January following such election; and at the regular biennial election immediately preceding the expiration of such term, a senator shall be elected, in such district, for the term of four years, beginning on the second Monday in January following such election; and at the regular biennial election immediately preceding the expiration of such term, a senator shall be elected, in such district, for the term of four years, beginning on the second Monday in January following such election.

At the first regular biennial election after each reapportionment and redistricting, as above provided, a senator shall be elected in each even-numbered district, for the term of four years, beginning on the second Monday in January following such election; and at the regular biennial election immediately preceding the expiration of such term, a senator shall be elected, in such district, for the term of four years, beginning on the second Monday in January following such election; and at the regular biennial election immediately preceding the expiration of such term a senator shall be elected, in such district, for the term of two years, beginning the second Monday in January following such election.

If the legislature, at its first regular session following each decennial [decennial] United States census, shall fail to apportion and district anew the membership of the Senate and House of Representatives, the governor shall, within six months, following the adjournment of said session of the legislature, by proclamation, apportion and district anew the membership of the Senate and House of Representatives,

as hereinabove provided, and said reapportionment made by the governor shall remain in force until the legislature shall make a reapportionment in the manner hereinabove provided.

ARTICLE XXII.

Section 1. Until and including the regular session of 1941, the Senate shall be apportioned into forty-five senatorial districts as follows:

Pend Oreille and Stevens counties shall constitute the first district and shall have one senator;

Spokane county shall include the second, third, fourth, fifth and sixth districts, each of which shall have one senator;

Whitman county shall constitute the seventh district and shall have one senator;

Asotin, Columbia and Garfield counties shall constitute the eighth district and shall have one senator;

Walla Walla county shall constitute the ninth district and shall have one senator;

Ferry and Lincoln counties shall constitute the tenth district and shall have one senator;

Adams, Franklin and Benton counties shall constitute the eleventh district and shall have one senator;

Okanogan and Douglas counties shall constitute the twelfth district and shall have one senator;

Chelan county shall constitute the thirteenth district and shall have one senator;

Kittitas and Grant counties shall constitute the fourteenth district and shall have one senator;

Yakima county shall include the fifteenth and sixteenth districts each of which shall have one senator;

Klickitat and Skamania counties shall constitute the seventeenth district and shall have one senator;

Clark county shall constitute the eighteenth district and shall have one senator;

Cowlitz county shall constitute the nineteenth district and shall have one senator;

Pacific and Wahkiakum counties shall constitute the twentieth district and shall have one senator;

Grays Harbor county shall constitute the twenty-first district and shall have one senator;

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Lewis county shall constitute the twenty-second district and shall have one senator;

Thurston county shall constitute the twenty-third district and shall have one senator;

Kitsap and Mason counties shall constitute the twenty-fourth district and shall have one senator;

Jefferson and Callam counties shall constitute the twenty-fifth district and shall have one senator;

Pierce county shall include the twenty-sixth, twenty-seventh, twenty-eighth, twenty-ninth and thirtieth districts, each of which shall have one senator;

King county shall include the thirty-first, thirty-second, thirty-third, thirty-fourth, thirty-fifth, thirty-sixth, thirty-seventh, thirty-eighth, thirty-ninth and fortieth districts, each of which shall have one senator;

Snohomish and Island counties shall constitute the forty-first and forty-second districts, each of which shall have one senator;

Skagit and San Juan counties shall constitute the forty-third district and shall have one senator;

Whatcom county shall include the forty-fourth and forty-fifth districts, each of which shall have one senator.

At its regular session in 1933, the legislature shall define the boundaries of the senatorial districts in counties having more than one senatorial district, as above provided; and in case the legislature fails to define such boundaries, the governor shall, within six months following the adjournment of the legislature, by proclamation, define the boundaries of such senatorial districts, which boundaries shall remain in force until the legislature shall make a reapportionment in the manner provided in Article II of this constitution.

Section 2. Until and including the regular session of 1941, the House of Representatives shall be apportioned into sixty-one representative districts as follows:

Pend Oreille county shall constitute the first district and shall have one representative;

Stevens county shall constitute the second district and shall have one representative;

Spokane county shall include the third, fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh

districts, each of which shall have two representatives;

Whitman county shall constitute the eighth district and shall have two representatives;

Asotin county shall constitute the ninth district and shall have one representative;

Garfield county shall constitute the tenth district and shall have one representative;

Columbia county shall constitute the eleventh district and shall have one representative;

Walla Walla county shall constitute the twelfth district and shall have two representatives;

Franklin county shall constitute the thirteenth district and shall have one representative;

Adams county shall constitute the fourteenth district and shall have one representative;

Lincoln county shall constitute the fifteenth district and shall have one representative;

Ferry county shall constitute the sixteenth district and shall have one representative;

Okanogan county shall constitute the seventeenth district and shall have one representative;

Douglas county shall constitute the eighteenth district and shall have one representative;

Grant county shall constitute the nineteenth district and shall have one representative;

Benton county shall constitute the twentieth district and shall have one representative;

Klickitat county shall constitute the twenty-first district and shall have one representative;

Yakima county shall include the twenty-second and twenty-third districts, each of which shall have two representatives;

Kittitas county shall constitute the twenty-fourth district and shall have one representative;

Chelan county shall constitute the twenty-fifth district and shall have two representatives;

Skamania county shall constitute the twenty-sixth district and shall have one representative;

Clark county shall constitute the twenty-seventh district and shall have two representatives;

Cowlitz county shall constitute the

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twenty-eighth district and shall have two representatives;

Wahkiakum county shall constitute the twenty-ninth district and shall have one representative;

Pacific county shall constitute the thirtieth district and shall have one representative;

Lewis county shall constitute the thirty-first district and shall have three representatives;

Thurston county shall constitute the thirty-second district and shall have two representatives;

Grays Harbor county shall include the thirty-third district, which shall have two representatives, and the thirty-fourth district, which shall have one representative;

Mason county shall constitute the thirty-fifth district and shall have one representative;

Kitsap county shall constitute the thirty-sixth district and shall have two representatives;

Jefferson county shall constitute the thirty-seventh district and shall have one representative;

Clallam county shall constitute the thirty-eighth district and shall have one representative;

Pierce county shall include the thirty-ninth, fortieth, forty-first, forty-second and forty-third districts, each of which shall have two representatives;

King county shall include the forty-fourth, forty-fifth, forty-sixth, forty-seventh, forty-eighth, forty-ninth, fiftieth and fifty-first districts each of which shall have two representatives and also the fifty-second district which shall have three representatives and the fifty-third district which shall have one representative: *Provided*, That the fifty-second and fifty-third districts shall lie entirely outside of the pres-

ent corporate limits of the city of Seattle.

Snohomish county shall include the fifty-fourth and fifty-fifth districts, each of which shall have two representatives;

Island county shall constitute the fifty-sixth district and shall have one representative;

Skagit county shall include the fifty-seventh district, which shall have two representatives, and the fifty-eighth district which shall have one representative;

San Juan county shall constitute the fifty-ninth district and shall have one representative;

Whatcom county shall include the sixtieth and sixty-first districts, each of which shall have two representatives.

At its regular session in 1933, the legislature shall define the boundaries of the representative districts in counties having more than one representative district, as above provided; and in case the legislature fails to define such boundaries, the governor shall, within six months following the adjournment of the legislature, by proclamation define the boundaries of such representative districts, which boundaries shall remain in force until the legislature shall make a reapportionment in the manner provided in Article II of this constitution.

Adopted by the House March 4, 1931.

Adopted by the Senate March 9, 1931.

STATE OF WASHINGTON—ss.

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