# HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 53 

## 98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY


#### Abstract

AN ACT Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri an amendment to article VIII of the Constitution of Missouri, and adopting one new section relating to elections.


Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:
That at the next general election to be held in the state of Missouri, on Tuesday next 2 following the first Monday in November, 2016, or at a special election to be called by the 3 governor for that purpose, there is hereby submitted to the qualified voters of this state, for 4 adoption or rejection, the following amendment to article VIII of the Constitution of the state of 5 Missouri:

Section A. Article VIII, Constitution of Missouri, is amended by adding one new section, 2 to be known as section 11, to read as follows:

Section 11. A person seeking to vote in person in public elections may be required 2 by general law to identify himself or herself and verify his or her qualifications as a citizen 3 of the United States of America and a resident of the state of Missouri by providing election 4 officials with a form of identification, which may include valid government-issued photo 5 identification. Exceptions to the identification requirement may also be provided for by 6 general law.

Section B. Pursuant to chapter 116 and other applicable constitutional provisions and 2 laws of this state allowing the general assembly to adopt ballot language for the submission of 3 this joint resolution to the voters of this state, the official summary statement of this legislation 4 shall be as follows: to be omitted from the law. Matter in bold-face type in the above bill is proposed language.
"Shall the Constitution of Missouri be amended to state that voters may be required by 6 law, which may be subject to exception, to verify one's identity, citizenship, and residence by presenting identification that may include valid government-issued photo identification?".


President Pro Tem of the Senate

