

House Concurrent Resolution No. 5025

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1 A PROPOSITION to amend article 15 of the constitution of the state of
2 Kansas by adding a new section thereto, legalizing the recreational use
3 of marijuana.

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5 *Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Kansas, two-thirds of the*
6 *members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the House of*
7 *Representatives and two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed)*
8 *and qualified to the Senate concurring therein:*

9 Section 1. The following proposition to amend the constitution of
10 the state of Kansas shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the state
11 for their approval or rejection: Article 15 of the constitution of the state of
12 Kansas is hereby amended by adding a new section to read as follows:

13 **"§ 17. Recreational use of marijuana.** (a) Commencing
14 on July 1, 2023, and thereafter, the recreational use of marijuana
15 shall be legal in the state of Kansas.

16 (b) The legislature shall enact laws to carry out the
17 purposes of this section."

18 Sec. 2. The following statement shall be printed on the ballot with
19 the amendment as a whole:

20 *"Explanatory statement.* The purpose of this amendment is to
21 legalize the recreational use of marijuana commencing on
22 July 1, 2023.

23 "A vote for this proposition would legalize the recreational use
24 of marijuana commencing on July 1, 2023, and thereafter.

25 The legislature would be directed to enact laws to provide
26 for the legal use of recreational marijuana.

27 "A vote against this proposition would make no changes to
28 current law concerning the use of recreational marijuana and
29 would continue the current prohibition and penalties for the
30 recreational use of marijuana as provided by law."

31 Sec. 3. This resolution, if approved by two-thirds of the members
32 elected (or appointed) and qualified to the House of Representatives and
33 two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the
34 Senate, shall be entered on the journals, together with the yeas and nays.

1 The secretary of state shall cause this resolution to be published as
2 provided by law and shall cause the proposed amendment to be submitted
3 to the electors of the state at the general election in November in the year
4 2022, unless a special election is called at a sooner date by concurrent
5 resolution of the legislature, in which case it shall be submitted to the
6 electors of the state at the special election.