ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 3CA

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

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- 1 THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST
- 2 SESSION, RESOLVE THAT:
- 3 Section 1. At the general election in November 2024 the following
- 4 proposed amendment to the Constitution of Nebraska shall be submitted to
- 5 the electors of the State of Nebraska for approval or rejection:
- 6 To amend Article IV, section 1:
- 7 IV-1 (1) The executive officers of the state shall be the Governor,
- 8 Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Auditor of Public Accounts,
- 9 State Treasurer, Attorney General, and the heads of such other executive
- 10 departments as set forth herein or as may be established by law. The
- 11 Legislature may provide for the placing of the above named officers as
- 12 heads over such departments of government as it may by law establish.
- 13 (2) The Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Secretary
- 14 of State, Auditor of Public Accounts, and State Treasurer shall be:
- 15 (a) Chosen chosen at the general election held in November 1974, and
- 16 in each alternate even-numbered year thereafter, for a term of four years
- 17 and until their successors shall be elected and qualified; and -
- 18 (b) Nominated and elected in a nonpartisan manner and without any
- 19 <u>indication on the ballot that they are affiliated with or endorsed by any</u>
- 20 political party or organization.
- 21 (3) Each candidate for Governor shall select a person to be the
- 22 candidate for Lieutenant Governor on the general election ballot. In the
- 23 general election one vote shall be cast jointly for the candidates for

- 1 Governor and Lieutenant Governor. The Governor shall be ineligible to the
- 2 office of Governor for four years next after the expiration of two
- 3 consecutive terms for which he or she was elected.
- 4 (4) The records, books, and papers of all executive officers shall
- 5 be kept at the seat of government. Executive officers shall reside within
- 6 the State of Nebraska during their respective terms of office. Officers
- 7 in the executive department of the state shall perform such duties as may
- 8 be provided by law.
- 9 (5) The heads of all executive departments established by law, other
- 10 than those to be elected as provided herein, shall be appointed by the
- 11 Governor, with the consent of a majority of all members elected to the
- 12 Legislature, but officers so appointed may be removed by the Governor.
- 13 Subject to the provisions of this Constitution, the heads of the various
- 14 executive or civil departments shall have power to appoint and remove all
- 15 subordinate employees in their respective departments.
- 16 Sec. 2. The proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors
- 17 in the manner prescribed by the Constitution of Nebraska, Article XVI,
- 18 section 1, with the following ballot language:
- 19 A constitutional amendment to provide for nonpartisan nomination and
- 20 election of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General,
- 21 Secretary of State, Auditor of Public Accounts, and State Treasurer.
- 22 For
- 23 Against.