

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION K

April 27, 2006, Introduced by Senators STAMAS, GILBERT, ALLEN, KUIPERS, GARCIA, BIRKHOLZ, JOHNSON, BISHOP, BARCIA, VAN WOERKOM, SANBORN and CROPSEY and referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

A joint resolution ratifying the proposed amendment to the constitution of the United States relating to apportionment of the House of Representatives of the United States being based on the number of citizens in each state.

Resolved by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the state of Michigan, That the 109th Congress of the United States of America, at its session, in both houses, by a constitutional majority of two-thirds of both houses has made the following proposition to amend the constitution of the United States.

JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to provide that Representatives shall be apportioned among the several

1 States according to their respective numbers, counting the number
2 of persons in each State who are citizens of the United States.

3 Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
4 United States of America in Congress assembled (two-thirds of each
5 House concurring therein), That the following article is proposed
6 as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which
7 shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the
8 Constitution when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of
9 the several States within seven years after the date of its
10 submission for ratification:

11 "ARTICLE XXVIII

12 "Representatives shall be apportioned among the several States
13 according to their respective numbers, which shall be determined by
14 counting the number of persons in each State who are citizens of
15 the United States.".

16 Therefore, in the name of, and on behalf of, the people of the
17 state of Michigan, we ratify, approve, and assent to the proposed
18 amendment to the constitution of the United States.

19 Resolved further, That certified copies of this joint
20 resolution be transmitted by the governor of the state of Michigan,
21 to the president of the United States, the archivist of the United
22 States, the president of the Senate of the United States, and the
23 speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States.