

# SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION G

February 22, 2011, Introduced by Senators BIEDA, WHITMER, HUNTER, GLEASON, JOHNSON and GREGORY and referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution of 1963, by amending section 26 of article IV, to require a fiscal impact note for all bills and to require spending cuts or increased revenues for any bill that will increase state spending or have a negative impact on state revenues.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the state of Michigan, That the following amendment to the state constitution of 1963, to require a fiscal impact note for all bills and to require spending cuts or increased revenues for any bill that will increase state spending or have a negative impact on state revenues, is proposed, agreed to, and submitted to the people

of the state:

1 ARTICLE IV

2 Sec. 26. No bill shall be passed or become a law at any  
3 regular session of the legislature until it has been printed or  
4 reproduced and in the possession of each house for at least five  
5 days. Every bill shall be read three times in each house before the  
6 final passage thereof. No bill shall become a law without the  
7 concurrence of a majority of the members elected to and serving in  
8 each house. On the final passage of bills, the votes and names of  
9 the members voting thereon shall be entered in the journal. **A BILL**  
10 **SHALL NOT BE PASSED BY EITHER HOUSE OF THE LEGISLATURE BEFORE THE**  
11 **MEMBERS OF THAT HOUSE HAVE BEEN PROVIDED WITH A FISCAL IMPACT NOTE**  
12 **PRODUCED BY A NONPARTISAN LEGISLATIVE FISCAL AGENCY DETAILING THE**  
13 **FISCAL IMPACT OF THE BILL FOR THE NEXT FIVE YEARS UPON THIS STATE,**  
14 **OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES IN THIS STATE, BUSINESSES IN THIS**  
15 **STATE, AND CITIZENS OF THIS STATE. IF A BILL WILL INCREASE STATE**  
16 **SPENDING OR HAVE A NEGATIVE IMPACT ON ANY REVENUES TO THIS STATE,**  
17 **THE BILL SHALL NOT BECOME LAW UNLESS ANOTHER BILL IS ENACTED TO**  
18 **REDUCE STATE SPENDING OR INCREASE STATE REVENUES BY THAT SAME**  
19 **AMOUNT.**

20 Resolved further, That the foregoing amendment shall be  
21 submitted to the people of the state at the next general election  
22 in the manner provided by law.