

1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 12

2 **52ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2016**

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10 A JOINT RESOLUTION

11 PROPOSING TO AMEND ARTICLE 7 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF NEW MEXICO
12 TO ALLOW REGISTERED QUALIFIED ELECTORS TO VOTE IN ANY
13 STATE-FUNDED PRIMARY ELECTION PROCESS REGARDLESS OF THE
14 ELECTOR'S PARTY PREFERENCE OR AFFILIATION, OR LACK THEREOF.

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16 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

17 SECTION 1. It is proposed to amend Article 7 of the
18 constitution of New Mexico by adding a new section to read:

19 "In any state-funded primary election, all registered
20 qualified electors, regardless of party preference or
21 affiliation, or lack thereof, who are otherwise qualified to
22 vote for an office shall be allowed to vote for the candidate
23 of their choice in a voter-nomination primary election process
24 to determine which candidates for that office will appear on
25 the general election ballot."

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SECTION 2. The amendment proposed by this resolution shall be submitted to the people for their approval or rejection at the next general election or at any special election prior to that date that may be called for that purpose.