SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 5

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

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A JOINT RESOLUTION

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 20 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF NEW MEXICO TO ADD A NEW SECTION THAT ALLOWS FOR POSSESSION AND PERSONAL USE OF MARIJUANA, THAT REQUIRES ENACTMENT OF LAW TO REGULATE THE PRODUCTION, PROCESSING, TRANSPORTATION, SALE AND TAXATION OF MARIJUANA AND HEMP IN NEW MEXICO AND THAT REQUIRES REVENUES TO BE USED FOR THE STATE'S MEDICAID PROGRAM OR DRUG AND ALCOHOL REHABILITATION PROGRAMS.

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

SECTION 1. It is proposed to amend Article 20 of the constitution of New Mexico by adding a new section to read:

"Possession and personal use of marijuana shall be lawful by persons twenty-one years of age or older. The legislature shall provide by law for:

A. the production, processing, transportation, .202705.3

sale, taxation and acceptable quantities and places of use of marijuana and hemp to protect public health and safety; and

B. any state revenue generated from the production, processing, transportation, sale, taxation or other regulation of marijuana and hemp to be used to fund the state's medicaid program or drug and alcohol rehabilitation programs."

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.

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