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Senate Joint Resolution 4

Ordered by the House June 23

Including Senate Amendments dated June 6 and June 12 and June 14 and House Minority Report Amendments dated June 23

Sponsored by nonconcurring members of the House Committee on Elections, Ethics and Rules: Representatives THATCHER, ESQUIVEL

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

[Proposes amendment to Oregon Constitution to impose additional taxes on tobacco products. Allows Legislative Assembly to exempt certain tobacco products from taxes. Dedicates revenues from taxes imposed to providing health care to children, low-income adults and other medically underserved Oregonians and to tobacco use prevention and education.]

[Refers proposed amendment to people for their approval or rejection at special election to be held on date specified in chapter _____, Oregon Laws 2007 (Enrolled _____ Bill ____).]

Proposes amendment to Oregon Constitution to require elections officials to verify that persons registering to vote are United States citizens.

Refers proposed amendment to people for their approval or rejection at next regular general election.

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JOINT RESOLUTION

2 Be It Resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon:

3 **PARAGRAPH 1.** Section 2, Article II of the Constitution of the State of Oregon, is amended to 4 read:

- 5 Sec. 2. <u>Qualifications of electors.</u> (1) Every citizen of the United States is entitled to vote in 6 all elections not otherwise provided for by this Constitution if such citizen:
- 7 (a) Is 18 years of age or older;

8 (b) Has resided in this state during the six months immediately preceding the election, except 9 that provision may be made by law to permit a person who has resided in this state less than 30 10 days immediately preceding the election, but who is otherwise qualified under this subsection, to 11 vote in the election for candidates for nomination or election for President or Vice President of the 12 United States or elector of President and Vice President of the United States; and

(c) Is registered not less than 20 calendar days immediately preceding any election in the man ner provided by law.

15 (2) Except as otherwise provided in section 6, Article VIII of this Constitution with respect to 16 the qualifications of voters in all school district elections, provision may be made by law to require 17 that persons who vote upon questions of levying special taxes or issuing public bonds shall be tax-18 payers.

(3) The law prescribing the manner of registering to vote shall include provisions re quiring elections officials to verify that each person registering for the first time in this
state is a citizen of the United States. The requirement to verify citizenship applies regard-

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- 1 less of whether the person registering to vote has previously registered in another state or
- 2 territory of the United States.
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4 <u>PARAGRAPH 2.</u> The amendment proposed by this resolution shall be submitted to the 5 people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election held throughout 6 this state.

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