

# Senate Joint Resolution 7

Sponsored by Senator THATCHER; Senator BONHAM, Representative RESCHKE (Pre-session filed.)

## 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 **as introduced**. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: Requires a two-thirds majority of the members of the House and the Senate to pass bills that take effect early. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.8).

Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution to require a two-thirds majority vote in favor in each chamber of the Legislative Assembly to pass bills declaring an emergency.

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

## JOINT RESOLUTION

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

3 **PARAGRAPH 1.** Section 25, Article IV of the Constitution of the State of Oregon, is amended  
4 to read:

5 **Sec. 25.** (1) Except as otherwise provided in [*subsection (2)*] **subsections (2) and (3)** of this  
6 section, a majority of all the members elected to each House shall be necessary to pass every bill  
7 or Joint resolution.

8 (2) Three-fifths of all members elected to each House shall be necessary to pass bills for raising  
9 revenue.

10 **(3) Two-thirds of all members elected to each House shall be necessary to pass bills de-**  
11 **claring an emergency.**

12 [*3*] (4) All bills, and Joint resolutions passed, shall be signed by the presiding officers of the  
13 respective houses.

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15 **PARAGRAPH 2.** The amendment proposed by this resolution shall be submitted to the  
16 people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election held throughout  
17 this state.

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**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.