
Introduced by Senator Simitian

December 4, 2006

Senate Constitutional Amendment No. 2—A resolution to propose to the people of the State of California an amendment to the Constitution of the State, by adding Article X C thereto, relating to resources.

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SCA 2, as introduced, Simitian. Clean Drinking Water, Water Supply Security, and Environmental Improvement Bond Act of 2007.

Existing provisions of the California Constitution prohibit the creation by the Legislature of debts in excess of \$300,000 except for a single object or work specified in a law creating the debt, which is approved by the people by a majority of the votes cast in a statewide general or direct primary election.

This measure would establish requirements for the amendment or repeal of a bond measure designated as the “Clean Drinking Water, Water Supply Security, and Environmental Improvement Bond Act of 2007” to be submitted to the voters at an unspecified statewide election.

This measure would provide that it would become operative only if the described bond measure is approved by the voters at an unspecified statewide election, and would provide, in that event, that it would become operative commencing on an unspecified date.

Vote: $\frac{2}{3}$. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

- 1 *Resolved by the Senate, the Assembly concurring,* That the
- 2 Legislature of the State of California at its 2007–08 Regular
- 3 Session commencing on the fourth day of December 2006,
- 4 two-thirds of the membership of each house concurring, hereby

1 proposes to the people of the State of California, that the
2 Constitution of the State be amended as follows:

3 First—That Article X C is added thereto, to read:

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5 ARTICLE X C

6 CLEAN DRINKING WATER, WATER SUPPLY SECURITY,
7 AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT BOND ACT OF
8 2007
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10 SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of this
11 Constitution, the Clean Drinking Water, Water Supply Security,
12 and Environmental Improvement Bond Act of 2007 (Division 26.6
13 (commencing with Section 79600) of the Water Code), submitted
14 to the voters at the ____, statewide election, may be amended or
15 repealed, directly or indirectly, only pursuant to any of the
16 following:

17 (a) By a statute passed by a two-thirds vote of the membership
18 of each house of the Legislature and approved by three-fourths of
19 the votes cast on the proposition in a statewide direct primary or
20 general election.

21 (b) By an initiative statute passed by three-fourths of the votes
22 cast on the proposition in a statewide direct primary or general
23 election.

24 (c) By a statute proposed at a constitutional convention that is
25 approved by three-fourths of the votes cast on the proposition in
26 a statewide direct primary or general election.

27 Second—That this measure shall become operative only if the
28 bond act described in Article X C of the California Constitution,
29 as added by this measure, is submitted to, and is approved by, the
30 voters at the ____, statewide election and, in that event, this measure
31 shall become operative commencing on ____.