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1997 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 78

November 4, 1997 – Introduced by Representative Kunicki. Referred to Committee on Elections and Constitutional Law.

To amend section 24 (6) (a) of article IV of the constitution; **relating to:** providing that the distribution of the net proceeds of the state lottery for property tax relief is not subject to the uniformity requirement of section 1, article VIII, of the Wisconsin Constitution (first consideration).

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This proposed constitutional amendment, proposed to the 1997 legislature on first consideration, provides that the distribution of the net proceeds of the state lottery for property tax relief is not subject to the uniformity requirement of section 1, article VIII, of the Wisconsin Constitution.

A constitutional amendment requires adoption by 2 successive legislatures, and ratification by the people, before it can become effective.

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That:

Section 1. Section 24 (6) (a) of article IV of the constitution is amended to read: [Article IV] Section 24 (6) (a) The legislature may authorize the creation of a lottery to be operated by the state as provided by law. The expenditure of public funds or of revenues derived from lottery operations to engage in promotional advertising

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of the Wisconsin state lottery is prohibited. Any advertising of the state lottery shall indicate the odds of a specific lottery ticket to be selected as the winning ticket for each prize amount offered. The net proceeds of the state lottery shall be deposited in the treasury of the state, to be used for property tax relief as provided by law. The distribution of the net proceeds of the state lottery for property tax relief shall not be subject to the uniformity requirement of section 1 of article VIII.

Be it further resolved, That this proposed amendment be referred to the legislature to be chosen at the next general election and that it be published for 3 months previous to the time of holding such election.

10 (END)