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Sub. S. J. R. No. 10

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to enact Section 5 of Article V of the
Constitution of the State of Ohio to require
identification to vote.

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of
Ohio, three-fifths of the members elected to each house
concurring herein, that there shall be submitted to the electors
of the state, in the manner prescribed by law at the general
election to be held on November 3, 2026, a proposal to enact
Section 5 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Ohio
to read as follows:

ARTICLE V

Section 5. (A) Electors shall provide photo identification
in order to vote in person at a polling place or other voting
location designated by law, in accordance with laws passed by
the general assembly, except that the laws may provide an
alternative method of verifying the identity of an elector who
does not have photo identification because the elector has a
sincere religious objection to being photographed.

(B) At a minimum, and in accordance with laws passed by



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the general assembly, electors shall provide photo 20
identification or, if authorized by law, a signature and at 21
least one other unique identifier in order to vote by any other 22
method authorized by law. 23

(C) As used in this section: 24

(1) "Photo identification" means one of the following 25
documents that is issued by an agency of this state or the 26
United States, includes the elector's name and photograph, and 27
is not expired: 28

(a) A driver's license or state identification card issued 29
by the Ohio bureau of motor vehicles or its successor agency or 30
a temporary document issued by that agency to an applicant for a 31
driver's license or state identification card that contains all 32
of the information otherwise found on the license or card and 33
that the applicant may use as a form of identification while 34
waiting to receive the license or card; 35

(b) A United States passport or passport card; 36

(c) A United States military identification card, an Ohio 37
national guard identification card, or an identification card 38
issued by the United States department of veterans affairs or 39
its successor agency. 40

(2) "Other unique identifier" means one of the following 41
that is authorized by the general assembly by law for voting 42
purposes: 43

(a) A unique numeric or alphanumeric descriptor assigned 44
to the elector by an agency of this state or the United States; 45

(b) A truncated version of a descriptor described in 46
division (C) (2) (a) of this section. 47

EFFECTIVE DATE

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If adopted by a majority of the electors voting on this
proposal, Section 5 of Article V of the Constitution of the
State of Ohio enacted by this proposal shall take effect
immediately.

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