

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 54th Legislature (2014)

3 SENATE JOINT
4 RESOLUTION 66

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Joint Resolution relating to equine slaughter
8 facilities; ordering a legislative referendum
9 pursuant to the Oklahoma Constitution; requiring
10 proposed equine slaughter facilities to be approved
11 by a majority of qualified voters in the county in
12 which the facility is to be located; providing for
13 codification; providing ballot title; and directing
14 filing.

15 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
16 2ND SESSION OF THE 54TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

17 SECTION 1. Pursuant to Section 3 of Article V of the Oklahoma
18 Constitution, there is hereby ordered the following legislative
19 referendum which shall be filed with the Secretary of State and
20 addressed to the Governor of the state, who shall submit the same to
21 the people for their approval or rejection at the next General
22 Election.

23 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
24 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-1139.1 of Title 63, unless
there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

1 As an issue of statewide concern, no person, firm or corporation
2 shall begin construction or operation of a facility for the
3 slaughter of horses, mules or other equines for purposes of human
4 consumption, or operate such a facility unless a majority of
5 qualified voters in the county in which the proposed facility is to
6 be located approve such construction or operation at a general or
7 special election.

8 SECTION 3. The Ballot Title for the proposed act shall be in
9 the following form:

10 BALLOT TITLE

11 Legislative Referendum No. _____ State Question No. _____

12 THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

13 This measure requires that any facility that slaughters horses,
14 mules or other equines for human consumption shall not be
15 constructed or operated without approval from the majority of
16 qualified voters in the county in which the proposed facility is
17 to be located.

18 SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?

19 FOR THE PROPOSAL - YES _____

20 AGAINST THE PROPOSAL - NO _____

21 SECTION 4. The President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall,
22 immediately after the passage of this order for legislative
23 referendum, prepare and file in accordance with Section 3 of Article
24 V of the Oklahoma Constitution, one copy of this order for

1 legislative referendum, including the Ballot Title set forth in
2 SECTION 4, with the Secretary of State and one copy with the
3 Attorney General.

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