



## 2005 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 61

February 6, 2006 – Introduced by Senators KANAVAS, LEIBHAM, ZIEN, A. LASEE, KAPANKE, OLSEN, REYNOLDS and LAZICH, cosponsored by Representatives KLEEFISCH, LEMAHIEU, LOTHIAN, ALBERS, HAHN, BIES, KREIBICH, VOS, GUNDERSON and TOWNSEND. Referred to Committee on Job Creation, Economic Development and Consumer Affairs.

1     **To create** section 11 of article V of the constitution; **relating to:** senate approval of  
2             certain agreements negotiated by the governor (first consideration).

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

This proposed constitutional amendment, proposed to the 2005 legislature on first consideration, prohibits the governor from entering into, amending, extending, or renewing any agreement with a foreign nation, an Indian tribe or band, the federal government, or another state until the governor submits the proposed agreement to the senate and the senate, by a majority of members present, approves the proposed agreement. Under the proposed amendment, if the senate does not approve the proposed agreement, the agreement shall be returned to the governor for renegotiation.

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

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3             **Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That:**

4             **SECTION 1.** Section 11 of article V of the constitution is created to read:

5             [Article V] Section 11. The governor may not enter into, amend, extend, or  
6             renew any agreement with a foreign nation, an Indian tribe or band, the federal  
7             government, or another state until the governor submits the proposed agreement to  
8             the senate and the senate, by a majority of members present, approves the proposed

1 agreement. If the senate does not approve the proposed agreement, the agreement  
2 shall be returned to the governor for renegotiation.

3 **SECTION 2. Numbering of new provision.** The new section 11 of article V  
4 of the constitution created in this joint resolution shall be designated by the next  
5 higher open whole section number in that article if, before the ratification by the  
6 people of the amendment proposed in this joint resolution, any other ratified  
7 amendment has created a section 11 of article V of the constitution of this state. If  
8 one or more joint resolutions create a section 11 of article V simultaneously with the  
9 ratification by the people of the amendment proposed in this joint resolution, the  
10 sections created shall be numbered and placed in a sequence so that the sections  
11 created by the joint resolution having the lowest enrolled joint resolution number  
12 have the numbers designated in that joint resolution and the sections created by the  
13 other joint resolutions have numbers that are in the same ascending order as are the  
14 numbers of the enrolled joint resolutions creating the sections.

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

18 (END)