

WHEREAS, It is evident from recent letting of contracts for the construction of 50 temporary housing units at Camp McCoy and existing plans for utilizing the post facilities by the Reserve Officers Training Corps and the Wisconsin National Guard, that the order was not prompted by military expediency, but that it issued only as a matter of financial necessity; and

WHEREAS, Existing disputes with world powers over international affairs will not permit jeopardizing our national defense; and

WHEREAS, As a sound measure of security in these turbulent times, Camp McCoy, one of the outstanding camps in the nation for complete training of troops under all weather conditions, above all others, should continue to be used by the War Department as an active army post; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, by the Senate, the Assembly concurring, That the legislature of the state of Wisconsin vigorously protests the closing of Camp McCoy as an active army post and memorializes the Congress of the United States to take such steps as are necessary to continue to make Camp McCoy available to the United States War Department as an active army post; and be it further

Resolved, That properly attested copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States, Secretary of War, to both houses of Congress and to each Wisconsin member thereof.

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JOINT RESOLUTION

To amend section 2 of article II of the constitution, relating to the taxation of federal land.

Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That section 2 of Article II of the constitution be amended to read:

“(Article II) Section 2. The propositions contained in the act of congress are hereby accepted, ratified and confirmed, and shall remain irrevocable without the consent of the United States;

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and it is hereby ordained that this state shall never interfere with the primary disposal of the soil within the same by the United States, nor with any regulations congress may find necessary for securing the title in such soil to bona fide purchasers thereof; * * * and in no case shall nonresident proprietors be taxed higher than residents. Provided, that nothing in this constitution, or in the act of congress aforesaid, shall in any manner prejudice or affect the right of the state of Wisconsin to five hundred thousand acres of land granted to said state, and to be hereafter selected and located by and under the act of congress entitled 'An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and grant pre-emption rights,' approved September fourth, one thousand eight hundred and forty-one." Be it further

Resolved, That the foregoing proposed amendment be published for 3 months preceding the next general election, and is hereby referred to the legislature to be chosen at such election.

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JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to a special joint committee to review and make recommendations on certain state civil service personnel problems.

WHEREAS, Competent and experienced state civil service personnel is indispensable to the efficient and economic administration of the state government; and

WHEREAS, Problems of state personnel are interrelated and entitled to thorough centralized study and consideration to the end that they may be resolved in the interests of efficient service; and

WHEREAS, The report of the findings and recommendations of Griffenhagen and Associates, Chicago firm of public personnel consultants, relating to state salaries and economy and efficiency in state government to be submitted to the 1947 legislature pursuant to legislation enacted in the special session of July 1946 will require special study; and

WHEREAS, Civil service salary studies will also be submitted to the 1947 legislature by the bureau of personnel; and