

2023 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 311

BY REPRESENTATIVES MIGUEZ, AMEDEE, BAGLEY, BEAULLIEU, BUTLER, COUSSAN, CREWS, DESHOTEL, ECHOLS, EDMONDS, EDMONSTON, EMERSON, FRIEMAN, GAROFALO, GOUDEAU, HODGES, HORTON, ILLG, MIKE JOHNSON, MACK, MCCORMICK, MCFARLAND, MUSCARELLO, ORGERON, CHARLES OWEN, RISER, SCHAMERHORN, SEABAUGH, TARVER, AND THOMPSON

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION

2 Proposing to add Article XI, Section 6 of the Constitution of Louisiana, to generally prohibit
3 the use of funds and resources from a foreign government or a nongovernmental
4 source for the conduct of elections and for the functions and duties established in the
5 election code except under specified circumstances; to provide for submission of the
6 proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

7 Section 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of Louisiana, two-thirds of the members
8 elected to each house concurring, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the state of
9 Louisiana, for their approval or rejection in the manner provided by law, a proposal to add
10 Article XI, Section 6 of the Constitution of Louisiana, to read as follows:

11 §6. Use of Monies, Goods, or Services for Conduct of Elections; Prohibitions

12 Section 6. No funds, goods, or services donated by a foreign government or
13 a nongovernmental source shall be used to conduct elections unless provided for in
14 the election code and subject to restrictions provided by general law.

15 Section 2. Be it further resolved that this proposed amendment shall be submitted
16 to the electors of the state of Louisiana at the statewide election to be held on October 14,
17 2023.

18 Section 3. Be it further resolved that on the official ballot to be used at the election,
19 there shall be printed a proposition, upon which the electors of the state shall be permitted
20 to vote YES or NO, to amend the Constitution of Louisiana, which proposition shall read as
21 follows:

1 Do you support an amendment to prohibit the use of funds, goods, or services
2 from a foreign government or a nongovernmental source to conduct elections
3 and election functions and duties unless the use is authorized by the secretary
4 of state through policies established in accordance with law? (Adds Article
5 XI, Section 6)

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE