

1 (4)(a) None of the property listed in this Paragraph shall be exempt if owned,
2 operated, leased, or used for commercial purposes ~~unrelated to the exempt purposes~~
3 ~~of the corporation or association.~~

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5 Section 2. Be it further resolved that the provisions of the amendment contained in
6 this Joint Resolution shall become effective January 1, 2027, and shall be applicable to all
7 tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2027.

8 Section 3. Be it further resolved that this proposed amendment shall be submitted
9 to the electors of the state of Louisiana at the statewide election to be held on November 3,
10 2026.

11 Section 4. Be it further resolved that on the official ballot to be used at the election,
12 there shall be printed a proposition, upon which the electors of the state shall be permitted
13 to vote YES or NO, to amend the Constitution of Louisiana, which proposition shall read as
14 follows:

15 Do you support an amendment to prohibit nonprofit organizations from
16 receiving property tax exemptions on any property used for commercial
17 purposes? (Effective January 1, 2027) (Amends Article VII, Section
18 21(B)(4)(a))

DIGEST

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Abstract: Prohibits a nonprofit organization from receiving a property tax exemption on property used for commercial purposes regardless of whether those commercial purposes relate to the income-tax-exempt purposes of the organization.

Present constitution authorizes an exemption from ad valorem taxation for property owned by a nonprofit corporation or association (nonprofit) organized and operated exclusively for religious purposes, dedicated places of burial, charitable purposes, purposes relating to health and welfare, fraternal purposes, or educational purposes.

Present constitution establishes requirements that must be satisfied in order for a nonprofit organization to obtain an ad valorem property tax exemption, including a requirement that the property subject to the exemption cannot be owned, operated, leased, or used for commercial purposes unrelated to the tax-exempt purposes of the nonprofit.

Proposed constitutional amendment retains present constitution related to exceptions for nonprofit organizations but prohibits nonprofits, in all cases, from receiving property tax exemptions on property used for commercial purposes.

Provides for submission of the proposed amendment to the voters at the statewide election to be held Nov. 3, 2026.

Effective January 1, 2027, and applicable to all tax years beginning on or after Jan. 1, 2027.

(Amends Const. Art. VII, §21(B)(4)(a))