

Regular Session, 1997

SENATE BILL NO. 295

BY SENATOR JORDAN AND REPRESENTATIVES JENKINS AND
PERKINS

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to add Article I, Section 25 of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to state sovereignty; to provide that the people of this state shall have the right to govern themselves as a sovereign state; to provide for related matters; and to specify an election for submission of the proposition to electors and provide a ballot proposition.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of Louisiana, two-thirds of the members elected to each house concurring, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the state, for their approval or rejection in the manner provided by law, a proposal to add Article I, Section 25 of the Constitution of Louisiana, to read as follows:

§25. State Sovereignty

Section 25. The people of this state have the sole and exclusive right of governing themselves as a free and sovereign state; and do, and forever hereafter shall, exercise and enjoy every power, jurisdiction, and right, pertaining thereto, which is not, or may not hereafter be, by them expressly delegated to the United States of America in congress assembled.

Section 2. Be it further resolved that this proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors of the state at the congressional primary election to be held in 1998.

Section 3. Be it further resolved that on the official ballot to be used

at the election there shall be printed a proposition, upon which the electors of the state shall be permitted to vote FOR or AGAINST, to amend the Constitution of Louisiana, which proposition shall read as follows:

To provide that the people of the state of Louisiana shall have the right to govern themselves as a sovereign state. (Adds Article I, Section 25)

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES