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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF ARIZONA; AMENDING ARTICLE XV, SECTION 3, CONSTITUTION OF ARIZONA; RELATING TO CORPORATION COMMISSION RATE POWERS.

1 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Arizona, the
2 Senate concurring:

3 1. Article XV, section 3, Constitution of Arizona, is proposed to be
4 amended as follows if approved by the voters and on proclamation of the
5 Governor:

- 6 3. Power of commission as to classifications, rates
7 and charges, rules, contracts and accounts;
8 local regulations; rate reductions

9 Section 3. The corporation commission shall have full
10 power to, and shall, ~~prescribe,~~ just and reasonable
11 classifications to be used and just and reasonable rates and
12 charges to be made and collected, ~~by public service~~
13 corporations within the state for service rendered therein, ~~and~~
14 make reasonable rules, regulations, ~~and orders,~~ by which such
15 corporations shall be governed in the transaction of business
16 within the state, ~~and~~ may prescribe the forms of contracts and
17 the systems of keeping accounts to be used by such corporations
18 in transacting such business, ~~and make and enforce reasonable~~
19 rules, regulations, ~~and orders for the convenience, comfort,~~
20 and safety, and the preservation of the health, ~~of the~~
21 employees and patrons of such corporations. ~~; Provided, that~~
22 THE incorporated cities and towns may be authorized by law to

1 exercise supervision over public service corporations doing
2 business therein, including the regulation of rates and charges
3 to be made and collected by such corporations. ~~;~~ ~~Provided~~
4 ~~further, that~~ THE classifications, rates, charges, rules,
5 regulations, orders, ~~and~~ forms or systems prescribed or made by
6 ~~said~~ THE corporation commission may from time to time be amended
7 or repealed by ~~such~~ THE commission. ANY RATE REDUCTION BY A
8 PUBLIC SERVICE CORPORATION THAT IS PUT INTO EFFECT FOR ONE YEAR
9 OR MORE IS NOT SUBJECT TO THE POWER OF THE CORPORATION
10 COMMISSION AND IT SHALL REMAIN IN EFFECT FOR AT LEAST THE ONE
11 YEAR PERIOD.

12 2. The Secretary of State shall submit this proposition to the voters
13 at the next general election as provided by article XXI, Constitution of
14 Arizona.