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**Sub. S. J. R. No. 10**

**Senators Timken, Gavarone**

**Cosponsor: Senator Huffman**

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**A JOINT RESOLUTION**

Proposing to enact Section 5 of Article V of the 1  
Constitution of the State of Ohio to require 2  
identification to vote. 3

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of 4  
Ohio, three-fifths of the members elected to each house 5  
concurring herein, that there shall be submitted to the electors 6  
of the state, in the manner prescribed by law at the general 7  
election to be held on November 3, 2026, a proposal to enact 8  
Section 5 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Ohio 9  
to read as follows: 10

**ARTICLE V** 11

Section 5. (A) Electors shall provide photo identification 12  
in order to vote in person at a polling place or other voting 13  
location designated by law, in accordance with laws passed by 14  
the general assembly, except that the laws may provide an 15  
alternative method of verifying the identity of an elector who 16  
does not have photo identification because the elector has a 17  
sincere religious objection to being photographed. 18

(B) At a minimum, and in accordance with laws passed by 19  
the general assembly, electors shall provide photo 20  
identification or, if authorized by law, a signature and at 21  
least one other unique identifier in order to vote by any other 22  
method authorized by law. 23

(C) As used in this section: 24

(1) "Photo identification" means one of the following 25  
documents that is issued by an agency of this state or the 26  
United States, includes the elector's name and photograph, and 27  
is not expired: 28

(a) A driver's license or state identification card issued 29  
by the Ohio bureau of motor vehicles or its successor agency or 30  
a temporary document issued by that agency to an applicant for a 31  
driver's license or state identification card that contains all 32  
of the information otherwise found on the license or card and 33  
that the applicant may use as a form of identification while 34  
waiting to receive the license or card; 35

(b) A United States passport or passport card; 36

(c) A United States military identification card, an Ohio 37  
national guard identification card, or an identification card 38  
issued by the United States department of veterans affairs or 39  
its successor agency. 40

(2) "Other unique identifier" means one of the following 41  
that is authorized by the general assembly by law for voting 42  
purposes: 43

(a) A unique numeric or alphanumeric descriptor assigned 44  
to the elector by an agency of this state or the United States; 45

(b) A truncated version of a descriptor described in 46

<u>division (C) (2) (a) of this section.</u>	47
EFFECTIVE DATE	48
If adopted by a majority of the electors voting on this	49
proposal, Section 5 of Article V of the Constitution of the	50
State of Ohio enacted by this proposal shall take effect	51
immediately.	52