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## House Concurrent Resolution No. 5009

By Committee on Federal and State Affairs

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A PROPOSITION to amend article 15 of the constitution of the state of Kansas by adding a new section thereto, authorizing the legislature to regulate, license and tax the operation or conduct of raffles by certain bona fide nonprofit organizations. Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Kansas, two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the House of Representatives and two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the Senate concurring therein: Section 1. The following proposition to amend the constitution of the state of Kansas shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the state for their approval or rejection: Article 15 of the constitution of the state of Kansas is hereby amended by adding a new section thereto to read as follows: "§ 3d. Regulation, licensing and taxation of "raffles" authorized. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 3 of article 15 of the constitution of the state of Kansas, the legislature may regulate, license and tax the operation or conduct of raffles, as defined by law, by bona fide nonprofit charitable. fraternal. educational religious. organizations. No such nonprofit organization shall contract with a professional raffle or other lottery vendor to manage, operate or conduct any raffle." The following statement shall be printed on the ballot with Sec. 2. the amendment as a whole: "Explanatory statement. The constitution currently prohibits the operation of lotteries except for specifically authorized lotteries. A raffle is a lottery and is illegal under current law.

"A vote against this proposition would continue the current

lottery vendor to manage, operate or conduct a raffle.

"A vote for this proposition would permit the legislature to

regulate, license and tax raffles operated or conducted by

bona fide religious, charitable, fraternal, educational and

veterans nonprofit organizations. The legislature would

define what constitutes a raffle. Nonprofit organizations

would be prohibited from contracting with a professional

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prohibition against all raffles."

Sec. 3. This resolution, if approved by two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the House of Representatives, and two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the Senate shall be entered on the journals, together with the yeas and nays. The secretary of state shall cause this resolution to be published as provided by law and shall cause the proposed amendment to be submitted to the electors of the state at the primary election in August in the year 2014 unless a special election is called at a sooner date by concurrent resolution of the legislature, in which case it shall be submitted to the electors of the state at the special election.