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HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1009, L.D. 1212, RESOLUTION,
Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Allowing the
Legislature to Impose a Different Rate of Taxation Upon
Properties Outside of Incorporated Municipalities and
Plantations.

Amend the Resolution by striking out all of the title
and inserting in its place the following: 'RESOLUTION,
Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Permitting the
Legislature the^{Additional Power of Levying} a Tax Exclusively Upon Real and Personal Property in
the Unorganized Territory."

Further amend the Resolution in that part relating
to the Constitution, Art. IX, §8, 1st sentence by inserting
at the end after the punctuation the following underlined
sentence: 'The Legislature shall also have the power to
levy a tax/^{exclusively} upon real and personal property in the
unorganized territory.'

Further amend the Resolution by striking out all of the
question and inserting in its place the following:

"Shall the Constitution be amended as proposed by a
resolution of the Legislature permitting the Legislature the
additional power of levying a tax exclusively upon real and personal
property in the unorganized territory?" '

Statement of Fact

This amendment simplifies the proposed constitutional amendment by permitting the Legislature, in addition to its other taxing powers, to levy taxes only upon real and personal property in the unorganized territory. Limitations on the amount of this type of tax and concerning the uses for this type of tax are better left to the Legislature to impose by statute rather than inserted in the Constitution, as circumstances in the unorganized territory can change radically from decade to decade.

Filed by Mr. Spencer of Standish.

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