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Place On Calendar

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 5
BY COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 255)

Passed House, Date 2-7-06 Passed Senate, Date 3-14-06
Vote: Ayes 96 Nays 0 Vote: Ayes 50 Nays 0
Approved _____

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2 the State of Iowa relating to the qualification of electors.
3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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CHRISTOPHER C. RANTS
Speaker of the House

JOHN P. KIBBIE
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this joint resolution originated in the House and is known as House Joint Resolution 5, Eighty-first General Assembly.

MARGARET THOMSON
Chief Clerk of the House