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Commissioner Martinez offered the following:

Amendment (with ballot statement and title amendments)

Remove lines 28-58 and insert:

(b) To assure that children attending public schools obtain a high quality education, the legislature shall make adequate provision to ensure that, by the beginning of the 2010 school year and for each school year thereafter, there are a sufficient number of classrooms so that:

(1) The maximum number of students who are assigned to each teacher who is teaching in public school classrooms for prekindergarten through grade 3 does not exceed 18 students;

(2) The maximum number of students who are assigned to each teacher who is teaching in public school classrooms for grades 4 through 8 does not exceed 22 students; and

(3) The maximum number of students who are assigned to each teacher who is teaching in public school classrooms for grades 9 through 12 does not exceed 25 students.

The class size requirements of this subsection do not apply to extracurricular or virtual classes. Payment of the costs associated with reducing class size to meet these requirements is the responsibility of the state and not of local school ~~schools~~ districts. Beginning with the 2003-2004 fiscal year, the legislature shall provide sufficient funds to reduce the average number of students in each classroom by at least two students per year until the maximum number of students per classroom does

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not exceed the requirements of this subsection. Compliance with the class size limits shall be based on the number of students assigned to each teacher on a date during the second month after the commencement of a school year.

== B A L L O T S T A T E M E N T A M E N D M E N T ==

Remove lines 83-90 and insert:

COMPLIANCE WITH CLASS SIZE LIMITS.--Under this amendment to the State Constitution, compliance with the existing class size limits will be based on the number of students assigned to each teacher on a date during the second month after the commencement of a school year. Thus, the addition of students to a class after it is found to be in compliance with the class-size limits will not require the class to be divided.

===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

Remove lines 1-6 and insert:

Resolution of the Taxation and Budget Reform Commission
A resolution proposing an amendment to Section 1 of
Article IX of the State Constitution to make the class
size limitations applicable on a specific date.