

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 70

96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES SCHOELLER (Sponsor), JONES (89), SHUMAKE, WIELAND,
ALLEN, FRANZ, KEENEY, DAVIS, RICHARDSON, DIECKHAUS,
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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

JOINT RESOLUTION

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri an amendment repealing section 8 of article IX of the Constitution of Missouri, and adopting one new section in lieu thereof relating to education.

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring therein:

That at the next general election to be held in the state of Missouri, on Tuesday next
2 following the first Monday in November, 2012, or at a special election to be called by the
3 governor for that purpose, there is hereby submitted to the qualified voters of this state, for
4 adoption or rejection, the following amendment to article IX of the Constitution of the state of
5 Missouri:

Section A. Section 8, article IX, Constitution of Missouri, is repealed and one new
2 section adopted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 8, to read as follows:

Section 8. Neither the general assembly, nor any county, city, town, township, school
2 district or other municipal corporation[, shall ever make an appropriation or pay from any public
3 fund whatever, anything in aid of any religious creed, church or sectarian purpose, or to help to
4 support or sustain any private or public school, academy, seminary, college, university, or other
5 institution of learning controlled by any religious creed, church or sectarian denomination
6 whatever; nor shall any grant or donation of personal property or real estate ever be made by the
7 state, or any county, city, town, or other municipal corporation, for any religious creed, church,
8 or sectarian purpose whatever] **may deny to any individual or entity the general state benefits
9 of any education program, funding, or other support on the basis of religious identity or**

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

10 **belief, so long as such general state benefits comply with the requirements of the First**
11 **Amendment to the United States Constitution.**

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