

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 68

98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE CURTMAN.

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

JOINT RESOLUTION

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri an amendment to article I of the Constitution of Missouri, and adopting one new section relating to the rights of conscience.

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 following the first Monday in November, 2016, or at a special election to be called by the governor for that purpose, there is hereby submitted to the qualified voters of this state, for adoption or rejection, the following amendment to article I of the Constitution of the state of Missouri:

Section A. Article I, Constitution of Missouri, is amended by adding one new section, to be known as section 36, to read as follows:

Section 36. That the conscience of the individual shall not be infringed; that all individuals have the right to act or refuse to act in a manner motivated by their conscience; that no government entity shall interfere with the right of an individual to render private judgment on account of his or her individual conscience; this section shall not be construed to excuse nor to justify any acts or practices that undermine or violate the natural rights of others.

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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.