

Senate Joint Resolution 11 - Introduced

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1 A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution
2 of the State of Iowa relating to an individual's right to
3 acquire, keep, possess, transport, carry, transfer, and use
4 arms.
5 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of
2 the State of Iowa is proposed:

3 Article I of the Constitution of the State of Iowa is amended
4 by adding the following new section:

5 **Right to acquire, keep, possess, transport, carry, transfer,**
6 **and use arms.** SEC. 1A. The right of an individual to acquire,
7 keep, possess, transport, carry, transfer, and use arms to
8 defend life and liberty and for all other legitimate purposes
9 is fundamental and shall not be infringed upon or denied.
10 Mandatory licensing, registration, or special taxation as a
11 condition of the exercise of this right is prohibited, and any
12 other restriction shall be subject to strict scrutiny.

13 Sec. 2. REFERRAL AND PUBLICATION. The foregoing proposed
14 amendment to the Constitution of the State of Iowa is referred
15 to the general assembly to be chosen at the next general
16 election for members of the general assembly and the secretary
17 of state is directed to cause the same to be published for
18 three consecutive months previous to the date of that election
19 as provided by law.

20 EXPLANATION

21 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
22 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

23 This joint resolution proposes an amendment to the
24 Constitution of the State of Iowa providing that the right of
25 an individual to acquire, keep, possess, transport, carry,
26 transfer, and use arms to defend life and liberty and for all
27 other legitimate purposes is fundamental and shall not be
28 infringed upon or denied. Mandatory licensing, registration,
29 or special taxation as a condition of the exercise of this
30 right is prohibited, and any other restriction shall be subject
31 to strict scrutiny.

32 The joint resolution, if adopted, would be referred to the
33 next general assembly for adoption a second time before being
34 submitted to the electorate for ratification.