

House Joint Resolution 2009 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(SUCCESSOR TO HJR 13)

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1 A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution
2 of the State of Iowa relating to the right of the people to
3 keep and bear arms.
4 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 keep and bear arms.** SEC. 1A. The right of the
6 people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed. The
7 sovereign state of Iowa affirms and recognizes this right to be
8 a fundamental individual right. Any and all restrictions of
9 this right shall be subject to strict scrutiny.

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

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EXPLANATION

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

20 This joint resolution proposes an amendment to the
21 Constitution of the State of Iowa providing that the right of
22 the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed. The
23 sovereign state of Iowa affirms and recognizes this right to be
24 a fundamental individual right. Any and all restrictions of
25 this right shall be subject to strict scrutiny.

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