

SECOND REGULAR SESSION  
[TRULY AGREED TO AND FINALLY PASSED]  
SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

# SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 36

97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

2014

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## JOINT RESOLUTION

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri, an amendment repealing section 23 of article I of the Constitution of Missouri, and adopting one new section in lieu thereof relating to the right of Missouri citizens to keep and bear arms.

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

That at the next general election to be held in the state of Missouri, on  
2 Tuesday next following the first Monday in November, 2014, or at a special  
3 election to be called by the governor for that purpose, there is hereby submitted  
4 to the qualified voters of this state, for adoption or rejection, the following  
5 amendment to article I of the Constitution of the state of Missouri:

Section A. Section 23, article I, Constitution of Missouri, is repealed and  
2 one new section adopted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 23, to read as  
3 follows:

Section 23. That the right of every citizen to keep and bear arms,  
2 **ammunition, and accessories typical to the normal function of such**  
3 **arms**, in defense of his home, person, **family** and property, or when lawfully  
4 summoned in aid of the civil power, shall not be questioned[; but this shall not  
5 justify the wearing of concealed weapons]. **The rights guaranteed by this**  
6 **section shall be unalienable. Any restriction on these rights shall be**  
7 **subject to strict scrutiny and the state of Missouri shall be obligated to**  
8 **uphold these rights and shall under no circumstances decline to protect**  
9 **against their infringement. Nothing in this section shall be construed**  
10 **to prevent the general assembly from enacting general laws which limit**  
11 **the rights of convicted violent felons or those adjudicated by a court to**  
12 **be a danger to self or others as result of a mental disorder or mental**

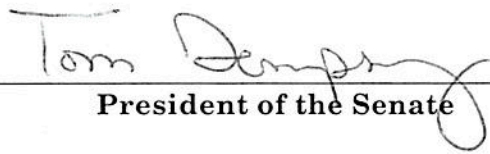
EXPLANATION--Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

13 **infirmary.**

2 Section B. Pursuant to chapter 116, and other applicable constitutional  
3 provisions and laws of the this state allowing the general assembly to adopt ballot  
4 language for the submission of this act to the voters of this state, the official  
5 ballot title of this act shall be as follows:

6 "Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to include a  
7 declaration that the right to keep and bear arms is a unalienable  
8 right and that the state government is obligated to uphold that  
right?"

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**President of the Senate**



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**Speaker of the House of Representatives**

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**Governor**