

It is a class A misdemeanor punishable, notwithstanding the provisions of section 560.021, RSMo, to the contrary, for a term of imprisonment not to exceed one year in the county jail or a fine not to exceed ten thousand dollars or both, for anyone to sign any initiative petition with any name other than his or her own, or knowingly to sign his or her name more than once for the same measure for the same election, or to sign a petition when such person knows he or she is not a registered voter.

**INITIATIVE PETITION**

To the Honorable John (Jay) Ashcroft, Secretary of State for the State of Missouri:

We, the undersigned, registered voters of the state of Missouri and \_\_\_\_\_ County (or city of St. Louis), respectfully order that the following amendment to the constitution shall be submitted to the voters of the state of Missouri, for their approval or rejection, at the general election to be held on the 6th day of November, 2018, and each for himself or herself says: I have personally signed this petition; I am a registered voter of the state of Missouri and \_\_\_\_\_ County (or city of St. Louis); my registered voting address and the name of the city, town or village in which I live are correctly written after my name.

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MO. SECRETARY OF STATE

CIRCULATOR'S AFFIDAVIT STATE OF MISSOURI, COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_, being first duly sworn, say (print or type names of signers)

NAME (Signature)	DATE SIGNED	REGISTERED VOTING ADDRESS (Street) (City, Town or Village)	ZIP CODE	CONGR. DIST.	NAME (Printed or Typed)
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signed this page of the foregoing petition, and each of them signed his or her name thereto in my presence; I believe that each has stated his or her name, registered voting address and city, town or village correctly, and that each signer is a registered voter of the state of Missouri and \_\_\_\_\_ County.

FURTHERMORE, I HEREBY SWEAR OR AFFIRM UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT ALL STATEMENTS MADE BY ME ARE TRUE AND CORRECT AND THAT I HAVE NEVER BEEN CONVICTED OF, FOUND GUILTY OF, OR PLED GUILTY TO ANY OFFENSE INVOLVING FORGERY.

I am at least 18 years of age. I do \_\_\_ do not \_\_\_ (check one) expect to be paid for circulating this petition. If paid, list the payer \_\_\_\_\_.

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Signature of Affiant (Printed Name of Affiant) Address of Affiant  
(Person obtaining signatures)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, A.D. 201\_.

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Signature of Notary Address of Notary

Notary Public (Seal) My commission expires \_\_\_\_\_

*Be it resolved by the people of the state of Missouri that the Constitution be amended:*

Article IV is amended by adding one new section to be known as Section 40(c), to read as follows:

40(c). 1. The right to hunt shall be guaranteed to all Missourians and shall not be infringed by law, except as expressly authorized in this Constitution. This section shall not be a basis to challenge any rule, regulation or permit requirements established by the Missouri Conservation Commission pursuant to its authority under Sections 40(a) through 46 of this Article, nor shall it authorize any person to hunt with any weapon such person may not legally possess, nor shall it authorize trespassing. Confined big game killing is not hunting for any purpose under this Constitution or any law. The provisions of Section 40(c) shall be known as the Fair Chase Amendment. It shall be the public policy of this state to protect the health of Missouri's livestock and wildlife by changing the requirements related to captive big game species. Confined big game killing does not provide any food, energy, health benefits or security to Missouri and presents significant threats to the safety, health and welfare of wildlife across Missouri. Confined big game killing, breeding big game species, or raising big game species shall not be construed as farming or ranching for any purpose under this Constitution or any law.

2. No person shall engage in confined big game killing, except: any person with a valid permit in effect on November 6, 2018. Such person may renew such permit up to and through November 7, 2021, at which time all such permits shall expire. At the expiration of any such permit, big game species must be located where they may be confined legally under state and federal laws and regulations in effect at that time.

3. In addition to the authority vested in it by Section 40(a) of Article IV, the Missouri Conservation Commission shall have primary authority over the regulation of privately-owned big game species, but excluding bison not raised, bred or held for confined big game killing.

4. Captive privately-owned big game species shall not be imported into the state of Missouri unless such big game species are being transported to and will be under the supervision of publicly owned zoos or wildlife or research organizations, American Zoo and Aquariums Association accredited not-for-profit facilities, or an authorized representative of a university, college, school, incorporated city, state or federal agency for scientific research.

5. Definitions.

a. "Big game species" shall not include any livestock as defined in this Amendment and shall include all of the following animals, either as live specimens or embryos, ova, semen and genetic material intended for commercial breeding operations: (a) all cervids including but not limited to white-tailed deer, elk, mule deer, red deer, fallow deer, sika deer and moose; (b) mountain goats, bighorn sheep, Dall's sheep, pronghorn, peccary, and javelina; and (c) any ungulate (hooved animal) confined or bred primarily for confined killing.

b. "Confined big game killing" shall mean an act in which a person obtains fees or other remuneration from another person for the killing or attempted killing of privately-owned big game species confined in or released from any man-made enclosure designed to prevent escape, but shall not include any act of a government employee or agent to control an animal population, to prevent or control diseases, or when government action is otherwise required or authorized by law.

c. "Livestock" as used in this Amendment, shall mean cattle, fully domesticated swine, fully domesticated sheep, fully domesticated goats, fully domesticated bison, fully domesticated ratite birds, fully domesticated rabbits, and fully domesticated horses, donkeys, mules, alpacas and llamas, where such fully domesticated animals are raised for human use or consumption and not for hunting or trapping as regulated by the Missouri Conservation Commission. Livestock shall also include semen or ova of any designated animal in this definition.

6. The Missouri Conservation Commission may make such rules and regulations as may be deemed necessary for the enforcement of this Amendment and to regulate hunting in Missouri.