

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 11

97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES REIBOLDT (Sponsor), SMITH (120), LANT, LOVE, WILSON,
KELLY (127), WIELAND, SPENCER, HANSEN AND WALKER (Co-sponsors).

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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 in lieu thereof relating to the right to raise animals.

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

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

**Section 36. That agriculture, which provides food, energy, and security, is the
2 foundation and stabilizing force of Missouri's economy. To protect this vital sector of
3 Missouri's economy, it shall be the right of persons to raise livestock in a humane manner
4 without the state imposing an undue economic burden on animal owners. No law
5 criminalizing the welfare of any livestock shall be valid unless based upon generally
6 accepted scientific principles and enacted by the general assembly.**

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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.