



State of Tennessee

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 648

By Senator Kelsey; Mr. Speaker McNally; Senators Johnson, Yager, Bailey, Watson, Bell, White, Powers, Rose, Roberts, Jackson, Stevens, Swann, Crowe, Haile, Bowling, Reeves, Gresham, Hensley, Briggs, Lundberg, Massey, Southerland

and

Representatives Smith, Todd, Curcio, Daniel, Hazlewood, Lamberth, Lynn, Timothy Hill; Mr. Speaker Cameron Sexton; Representatives Terry, Russell, Williams, Faison, Zachary, Reedy, Holt, Littleton, Moody, Weaver, Moon, Halford, Garrett, Howell, Hawk, Helton, Marsh, Carter, Griffey, Rudder, Eldridge, Byrd, Sherrell, Tillis, Powers, Crawford, Coley, Van Huss, Haston, Hulsey, Holsclaw, Rudd, Ragan, Doggett, Baum, Calfee, Travis, Boyd, Cochran, Leatherwood, Farmer, Carr, Vaughan, Cepicky, Gant, Lafferty

A RESOLUTION to propose an amendment to Article XI, of the Constitution of Tennessee, relative to the right to work.

WHEREAS, this resolution is known as the "Right to Work Amendment"; and

WHEREAS, protecting the right of Tennesseans to join or refuse to join a labor union or employee organization is a fundamental civil right; and

WHEREAS, this right to work has played a crucial role in Tennessee's thriving economy; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that a majority of all the members of each house concurring, as shown by the yeas and nays entered on their journals, that it is proposed that Article XI of the Constitution of Tennessee be amended by adding the following language as a new section:

It is unlawful for any person, corporation, association, or this state or its political subdivisions to deny or attempt to deny employment to any person by reason of the person's membership in, affiliation with, resignation from, or refusal to join or affiliate with any labor union or employee organization.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the foregoing be referred to the One Hundred Twelfth General Assembly and that this resolution proposing such amendment be published in accordance with Article XI, Section 3 of the Constitution of Tennessee by posting such amendment on the official website of the Secretary of State and on the official website of the General Assembly.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Senate is directed to deliver a copy of this resolution to the Secretary of State.

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ADOPTED: June 17, 2020


RANDY McNALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE


CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES