

ARKANSAS SENATE

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Amendment Form

Subtitle of Senate Joint Resolution No. 13

AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO PROVIDE THAT THE CITIZENS OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS HAVE A FUNDAMENTAL RIGHT TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS.

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Joint Resolution 13

Amend Senate Joint Resolution No. 13 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 9 through 17, and substitute the following:

"AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO PROVIDE THAT THE CITIZENS OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS HAVE A FUNDAMENTAL RIGHT TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS, AMMUNITION, AND ACCESSORIES TYPICAL TO THE NORMAL FUNCTION OF SUCH ARMS, FOR THE DEFENSE OF THEIR HOMES, PERSONS, FAMILY, AND PROPERTY, FOR THEIR COMMON AND INDIVIDUAL DEFENSE, AND FOR HUNTING AND RECREATIONAL PURPOSES."

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety and substitute:

"A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO PROVIDE THAT THE CITIZENS OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS HAVE A FUNDAMENTAL RIGHT TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS, AMMUNITION, AND ACCESSORIES."

AND

Page 2, delete lines 4 through 11, and substitute the following:

"§ 5. Right to bear arms.

(a) The citizens of this State shall have the right to keep and bear arms, for their common defense have a fundamental right to keep and bear arms, ammunition, and accessories typical to the normal function of such arms, for the defense of their homes, persons, family, and property, for their common and individual defense, and for hunting and recreational purposes.

(b) The rights guaranteed by this section shall not be denied nor infringed by the State of Arkansas or any political subdivision of the State of Arkansas. The rights guaranteed by this section are unalienable. Any and all restrictions of the rights guaranteed by this section shall be subject to strict scrutiny, and the State of Arkansas and all political subdivisions of the State of Arkansas shall uphold and defend the rights guaranteed by this



section and shall under no circumstances decline to protect against their infringement."

AND

Page 2, delete line 23, and substitute the following:

"Keep and Bear Arms, Ammunition, and Accessories Typical to the Normal Function of Such Arms, For the Defense of Their Homes, Persons, Family, and Property, For Their Common and Individual Defense, and for Hunting and Recreational Purposes"."

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and _____

By: Senator Rapert

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