FIRST REGULAR SESSION

SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 11

96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Reported from the Committee on Agriculture, Food Production and Outdoor Resources, March 10, 2011, with recommendation that the Senate Committee Substitute do pass.

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

JOINT RESOLUTION

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri, an amendment to article I of the Constitution of Missouri relating to the right to hunt and fish.

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, 2012, 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. Article I, Constitution of Missouri, is amended by adding

thereto one new section, to be known as section 35, to read as follows:

Section 35. That the citizens of this state have a right to hunt,

- fish, and harvest wildlife. The control, management, restoration,
- 3 conservation, and regulation of the bird, fish, game, forestry, and all
- 4 wildlife resources of the state, and the administration of all laws
- 5 pertaining thereto, is vested in a conservation commission, as provided
- 6 in section 40 of article IV of the Missouri Constitution. No law and no
- 7 rule or regulation shall unreasonably restrict hunting, fishing, and
- 8 harvesting wildlife or the use of traditional devices and
- 9 methods. Laws, rules, and regulations authorized under this section
- 10 shall have the purpose of wildlife conservation and management and
- 11 preserving the future of hunting and fishing. Public hunting and
- 12 fishing shall be a preferred means of managing and controlling
- 13 wildlife. This section shall not be construed to modify any provision of
- 14 common law or statutes relating to trespass or property rights.