SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 62

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR HOSKINS.

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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

JOINT RESOLUTION

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri an amendment to Article I of the Constitution of Missouri, by adopting one new section 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, 2020, 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 one

2 new section, to be known as section 36, to read as follows:

Section 36. 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 Article IV, Section 40(a) of the Constitution of Missouri. No law,
- 7 rule, or regulation shall unreasonably restrict hunting, fishing, or
- 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.