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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 15-003

101 SUBMITTING TO THE REGISTERED ELECTORS OF THE STATE OF  
102 COLORADO AN AMENDMENT TO THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION  
103 CONCERNING AN INCREASE IN THE STATEWIDE MINIMUM WAGE,  
104 AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, RAISING THE MINIMUM WAGE  
105 TO \$9.50 ON JANUARY 1, 2017, \$10.50 ON JANUARY 1, 2018,  
106 \$11.50 ON JANUARY 1, 2019, AND \$12.50 ON JANUARY 1, 2020.

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Resolution Summary

*(Note: This summary applies to this resolution as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this resolution passes third reading in the house of introduction, a resolution summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this resolution will be available at <http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries>.)*

The concurrent resolution incrementally increases the statewide

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
*Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.*  
*Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

minimum wage from the current amount of \$8.23 to \$12.50 from January 1, 2017, to January 1, 2020, as follows:

- ! January 1, 2017 - \$9.50;
- ! January 1, 2018 - \$10.50;
- ! January 1, 2019 - \$11.50;
- ! January 1, 2020 - \$12.50.

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1 *Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Seventieth General Assembly*  
2 *of the State of Colorado, the House of Representatives concurring herein:*

3 **SECTION 1.** At the election held on November 8, 2016, the  
4 secretary of state shall submit to the registered electors of the state the  
5 ballot title set forth in section 2 for the following amendment to the state  
6 constitution:

7 In the constitution of the state of Colorado, **amend** section 15 of  
8 article XVIII as follows:

9 **Section 15. State minimum wage rate.** (1) (a) Effective January  
10 1, ~~2007~~ 2017, Colorado's minimum wage shall be increased to ~~\$6.85~~  
11 \$9.50 per hour. ~~and~~

12 (b) EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2018, COLORADO'S MINIMUM WAGE  
13 SHALL BE INCREASED TO \$10.50 PER HOUR.

14 (c) EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2019, COLORADO'S MINIMUM WAGE  
15 SHALL BE INCREASED TO \$11.50 PER HOUR.

16 (d) EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2020, COLORADO'S MINIMUM WAGE  
17 SHALL BE INCREASED TO \$12.50 PER HOUR.

18 (2) EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021, THE MINIMUM WAGE shall be  
19 ~~adjusted~~ INCREASED annually for inflation, as measured by the Consumer  
20 Price Index used for Colorado.

21 (3) ~~This~~ THE minimum wage IN SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION  
22 shall be paid to employees who receive the state or federal minimum

1 wage.

2 (4) No more than \$3.02 per hour in tip income may be used to  
3 offset the minimum wage of employees who regularly receive tips.

4 **SECTION 2.** Each elector voting at the election may cast a vote  
5 either "Yes/For" or "No/Against" on the following ballot title: "Shall  
6 there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning an  
7 increase in the statewide minimum wage, and, in connection therewith,  
8 raising the minimum wage to \$9.50 on January 1, 2017, \$10.50 on  
9 January 1, 2018, \$11.50 on January 1, 2019, and \$12.50 on January 1,  
10 2020?".

11 **SECTION 3.** Except as otherwise provided in section 1-40-123,  
12 Colorado Revised Statutes, if a majority of the electors voting on the  
13 ballot title vote "Yes/For", then the amendment will become part of the  
14 state constitution.