
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY ISAACSON, SCHLOSSBERG, GIRAL, HILL-EVANS AND
SANCHEZ, MARCH 13, 2023

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, MARCH 13, 2023

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 Proposing separate and distinct amendments to the Constitution
2 of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, providing for an
3 economic bill of rights.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby resolves as follows:

6 Section 1. The following separate and distinct amendments to
7 the Constitution of Pennsylvania are proposed in accordance with
8 Article XI:

9 That Article I be amended by adding a section to read:

10 § 30. Economic bill of rights.

11 (a) The people shall have the right to a living wage to
12 reasonably support one's self and their family.

13 (b) The people shall have the right to affordable and
14 accessible health care and the opportunity to achieve and enjoy
15 good physical and mental health.

16 (c) The people shall have the right to safe, efficient and
17 reliable transportation infrastructure.

18 (d) The people shall have the right to safe and healthy

1 working conditions.

2 Section 2. The following procedure applies to the proposed
3 constitutional amendments in this joint resolution:

4 (1) Upon the first passage by the General Assembly of
5 the amendments, the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall
6 proceed immediately to comply with the advertising
7 requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution
8 of Pennsylvania.

9 (2) Upon the second passage by the General Assembly of
10 the amendments, the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall
11 proceed immediately to comply with the advertising
12 requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution
13 of Pennsylvania. The Secretary of the Commonwealth shall:

14 (i) Submit the amendment under section 1 of this
15 resolution adding section 30(a) to Article I of the
16 Constitution of Pennsylvania to the qualified electors of
17 this Commonwealth as a separate ballot question at the
18 first primary, general or municipal election which meets
19 the requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the
20 Constitution of Pennsylvania.

21 (ii) Submit the amendment under section 1 of this
22 resolution adding section 30(b) to Article I of the
23 Constitution of Pennsylvania to the qualified electors of
24 this Commonwealth as a separate ballot question at the
25 first primary, general or municipal election which meets
26 the requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the
27 Constitution of Pennsylvania.

28 (iii) Submit the amendment under section 1 of this
29 resolution adding section 30(c) to Article I of the
30 Constitution of Pennsylvania to the qualified electors of

1 this Commonwealth as a separate ballot question at the
2 first primary, general or municipal election which meets
3 the requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the
4 Constitution of Pennsylvania.

5 (iv) Submit the amendment under section 1 of this
6 resolution adding section 30(d) to Article I of the
7 Constitution of Pennsylvania to the qualified electors of
8 this Commonwealth as a separate ballot question at the
9 first primary, general or municipal election which meets
10 the requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the
11 Constitution of Pennsylvania.