

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. HJ0008

Sharia law.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Gay

A BILL

for

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing to amend the Wyoming
2 Constitution to require courts in this state to rely on
3 federal and state laws when deciding cases and to forbid
4 courts from considering international law or Sharia law
5 when deciding cases.

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7 *BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING,*
8 *two-thirds of all the members of the two houses, voting*
9 *separately, concurring therein:*

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11 **Section 1.** The following proposal to amend Wyoming
12 Constitution, Article 5, Section 1 is proposed for
13 submission to the electors of the State of Wyoming at the
14 next general election for approval or rejection to become
15 valid as a part of the Constitution if ratified by a
16 majority of the electors at the election:

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Article 5, Section 1. How judicial power vested.

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(a) The judicial power of the state shall be vested in the senate, sitting as a court of impeachment, in a supreme court, district courts, and such subordinate courts as the legislature may, by general law, establish and ordain from time to time.

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(b) When exercising their judicial authority the courts of this state shall uphold and adhere to the law as provided in the constitution of the United States, the Wyoming constitution, the United States Code and federal regulations promulgated pursuant thereto, laws of this state, established common law as specified by legislative enactment, and if necessary the law of another state of the United States provided the law of the other state does not include Sharia law. The courts shall not consider the legal precepts of other nations or cultures including, without limitation, international law and Sharia law. The provisions of this subsection shall apply to all cases before the respective courts including, without limitation, cases of first impression.

1 **Section 2.** That the Secretary of State shall endorse
2 the following statement on the proposed amendment:

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4 This amendment would require courts in this state to rely
5 on federal and state laws when deciding cases. It would
6 forbid courts from considering international law or Sharia
7 law when deciding cases.

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