

## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. HJ0008

Prohibition of carbon taxes.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Singh, Andrew, Bear, Haroldson, Heiner, Neiman, Rodriguez-Williams, Strock and Ward and Senator(s) Boner, Hutchings, Ide and Laursen, D

## A JOINT RESOLUTION

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1 A JOINT RESOLUTION providing for a prohibition on the  
2 imposition of a carbon tax by the state and any political  
3 subdivision or local governmental entity.

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

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9 **Section 1.** The following proposal to amend the Wyoming  
10 Constitution, Article 15 by creating a new section 21 is  
11 proposed for submission to the electors of the State of  
12 Wyoming at the next general election for approval or rejection  
13 to become valid as a part of the Constitution if ratified by  
14 a majority of the electors at the election:

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2           **Article 15, Section 21. Carbon tax prohibited.**

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4           (a) As used in this section, "carbon tax" means any tax  
5 that is a tax, fee, assessment or penalty on:

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7                   (i) The use or purchase of carbon or carbon-based  
8 products based on the carbon content of the product or the  
9 amount of carbon used or emitted to produce the product;

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11                   (ii) The use or purchase of electricity or other  
12 utilities based on the carbon usage, carbon emissions or  
13 carbon content of fuel used to produce the electricity or the  
14 other utility that is used or purchased; or

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16                   (iii) The carbon content of fuels or electricity  
17 used or consumed.

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19           (b) Neither the state nor any county, city, town or other  
20 political subdivision shall impose, levy or collect any  
21 carbon tax.

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

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4 The adoption of this amendment would prohibit the state and  
5 each county, city, town, political subdivision and any other  
6 governmental entity from imposing a carbon tax, which is a  
7 tax based on the carbon usage or content of the product or  
8 service provided.

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