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# HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 56

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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JOSEPH ENGLER, Chief Clerk

## 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 House of Representatives, the Senate concurring therein:*

That at the next general election to be held in the state of Missouri, on Tuesday next following the first Monday in November, 2026, or at a special election to be called by the governor for that purpose, there is hereby submitted to the qualified voters of this state, for adoption or rejection, the following amendment to Article I of the Constitution of the state of Missouri:

Section A. Article I, Constitution of Missouri, is amended by adopting one new section, to be known as Section 37, to read as follows:

**Section 37. That hunting and fishing provide exercise, social and emotional health, employment opportunities, and nutritious proteins; and that hunters and anglers are driving forces supporting Missouri's economy. To protect this important heritage and fundamental right, the individual rights of hunters and anglers to engage in hunting and harvesting wildlife and fishing by legal means shall be forever guaranteed in this state, subject to duly authorized powers of the conservation commission conferred in Article IV, Section 40(a) of the Constitution of Missouri. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent the general assembly from enacting general laws that limit the rights of convicted violent felons or those adjudicated by a court to be a danger to one's self or others as a result of a mental disorder or mental infirmity. This section shall not**

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

11 **be construed to modify any provision of common law or statute relating to trespass or**  
12 **property rights.**

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