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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION No. 7

DIGEST OF SJ 7 (Updated February 4, 2013 11:30 am - DI 109)

Citations Affected: Article 1, Section 39 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana.

Synopsis: Constitutional right to hunt and fish. Provides that the people have a right to hunt, fish, harvest game, or engage in the agricultural or commercial production of meat, fish, poultry, or dairy products, which is a valued part of our heritage and shall be forever preserved for the public good, subject to laws prescribed by the general assembly and rules prescribed by virtue of the authority of the general assembly. Provides that hunting and fishing are the preferred means of managing and controlling wildlife. Provides that this constitutional amendment does not limit the application of any laws relating to trespass or property rights. This proposed amendment has been agreed to by one general assembly.

Effective: This proposed amendment must be agreed to by a second general assembly and ratified by a majority of the state's voters voting on the question to be effective.

**Steele, Yoder,
Young R, Waterman, Tomes**

January 7, 2013, read first time and referred to Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources.
February 4, 2013, reported favorably — Do Pass.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2012 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to Article 1 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana concerning natural and cultural resources.

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of the
2 State of Indiana, which was agreed to by the One Hundred Seventeenth
3 General Assembly and referred to this General Assembly for
4 reconsideration and agreement, is agreed to by this the One Hundred
5 Eighteenth General Assembly of the State of Indiana.
6 SECTION 2. ARTICLE 1 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE
7 STATE OF INDIANA IS AMENDED BY ADDING A NEW
8 SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS: **Section 39. The people have a
9 right to hunt, fish, harvest game, or engage in the agricultural or
10 commercial production of meat, fish, poultry, or dairy products,
11 which is a valued part of our heritage and shall be forever
12 preserved for the public good, subject only to laws prescribed by**

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1 the General Assembly and rules prescribed by virtue of the
2 authority of the General Assembly. Hunting and fishing shall be
3 the preferred means of managing and controlling wildlife. This
4 section shall not be construed to limit the application of any
5 provision of law relating to trespass or property rights.

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources, to which was referred Senate Joint Resolution No. 7, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said resolution DO PASS.

(Reference is made to Senate Joint Resolution 7 as introduced.)

YODER, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 7 , 0 Nays.

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