

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2023

JOINT RESOLUTION

RATIFYING THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES RELATING TO THE LABOR OF PERSONS UNDER EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE

Introduced By: Senators Acosta, Zurier, DiPalma, Kallman, Ujifusa, Murray, Valverde, LaMountain, Euer, and Britto

Date Introduced: February 16, 2023

Referred To: Senate Labor

1 WHEREAS, at the first session of the sixty-eighth Congress it was resolved by the Senate  
2 and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress Assembled (two-thirds  
3 of each house concurring therein), that the following article be proposed as an amendment to the  
4 Constitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as a part of the  
5 said Constitution when ratified by the Legislatures of three-fourths of the several states, viz.:

6 ARTICLE

7 Section 1. The Congress shall have the power to limit, regulate, and prohibit the labor of  
8 persons under eighteen years of age.

9 Section 2. The Power of the several States is unimpaired by this article except that the  
10 operation of State laws shall be suspended to the extent necessary to give effect to legislation  
11 enacted by the Congress.

12 Now, therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, That the legislature of the State of Rhode Island does hereby ratify the  
14 above recited proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States; and be it further,

15 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be requested to transmit a certified copy of this  
16 concurrent resolution to the Administrator of General Services of the United States of America.

EXPLANATION  
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
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- 1           This Joint Resolution would ratify a proposed amendment to the Constitution of the
- 2   United States which would provide that the Congress of the United States would have the power
- 3   to limit, regulate, and prohibit the labor of persons under eighteen (18) years of age.

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