

**PROPOSAL TO AMEND UTAH CONSTITUTION -- RIGHT  
TO PURSUE TRADE, VOCATION, OCCUPATION, OR  
CAREER**

2018 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Brian M. Greene**

Senate Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This joint resolution of the Legislature proposes to amend the Utah Constitution to enact a provision relating to the right to pursue a trade, vocation, occupation, or career.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This resolution proposes to amend the Utah Constitution to:

- ▶ restrict government from infringing on the right to pursue a trade, vocation, occupation, or career, except in specified circumstances.

**Special Clauses:**

This resolution directs the lieutenant governor to submit this proposal to voters.

This resolution provides a contingent effective date of January 1, 2020 for this proposal.

**Utah Constitution Sections Affected:**

ENACTS:

**ARTICLE I, SECTION 30**

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*Be it resolved by the Legislature of the state of Utah, two-thirds of all members elected to each of the two houses voting in favor thereof:*

Section 1. It is proposed to enact Utah Constitution Article I, Section 30, to read:

**Article I, Section 30. [Right to pursue a trade, vocation, occupation, or career.]**



28           Government may not infringe on the individual, inalienable right of the people to  
29 pursue an honest trade, vocation, occupation, or career, unless the infringement is narrowly  
30 tailored to protect against ~~H~~→ [~~a present, recognizable~~] identifiable, likely ←~~H~~ , and significant  
30a harm to public health or  
31 safety.

32           Section 2. **Submittal to voters.**

33           The lieutenant governor is directed to submit this proposed amendment to the voters of  
34 the state at the next regular general election in the manner provided by law.

35           Section 3. **Contingent effective date.**

36           If the amendment proposed by this joint resolution is approved by a majority of those  
37 voting on it at the next regular general election, the amendment shall take effect on January 1,  
38 2020.

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**Legislative Review Note**  
**Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel**