

## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. HJ0005

Energy dividend.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Miller, Shepperson and  
Teeters and Senator(s) Case

A BILL

for

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing to amend the Wyoming  
2 Constitution to authorize the legislature to distribute to  
3 the citizens of this state surplus tax monies determined to  
4 be in excess of the amounts necessary for the support of  
5 current operations of government.

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

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11 **Section 1.** The following proposal to amend Wyoming  
12 Constitution, Article 16, Section 6 is proposed for  
13 submission to the electors of the State of Wyoming at the  
14 next general election for approval or rejection to become  
15 valid as a part of the Constitution if ratified by a  
16 majority of the electors at the election:

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2           **Article 16, Section 6. Loan of credit; donations**  
3 **prohibited; works of internal improvement.**

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5 Neither the state nor any county, city, township, town,  
6 school district, or any other political subdivision, shall  
7 loan or give its credit or make donations to or in aid of  
8 any individual, association or corporation, except for  
9 necessary support of the poor or as otherwise provided in  
10 this section, nor subscribe to or become the owner of the  
11 capital stock of any association or corporation, except  
12 that funds of public employee retirement systems and the  
13 permanent funds of the state of Wyoming may be invested in  
14 such stock under conditions the legislature prescribes. The  
15 state shall not engage in any work of internal improvement  
16 unless authorized by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the people.  
17 The legislature may distribute to the citizens of this  
18 state, on a per capita basis, tax monies in excess of the  
19 amount necessary to support the current operations of  
20 government, as defined by the legislature, or required by  
21 law to be held in trust by the state.

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23           **Section 2.** The Secretary of State shall endorse the  
24 following statement on the proposed amendment:

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2 The adoption of the proposed amendment will authorize the  
3 legislature to distribute surplus tax monies to the  
4 citizens of this state on a per capita basis.

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(END)