

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. SJ0004

Constitutional instruction for elected and other persons.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Jennings and Representative(s)
Brechtel

A BILL

for

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing to amend the Wyoming
2 Constitution by adding a requirement that specified
3 officials and other persons receive specified
4 constitutional instruction.

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

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10 **Section 1.** The following proposal to amend the
11 Wyoming Constitution by creating Article 16, Section 23 is
12 proposed for submission to the electors of the State of
13 Wyoming at the next general election for approval or
14 rejection to become valid as a part of the Constitution if
15 ratified by a majority of the electors at the election:

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1 **Article 6, Section 23. Constitutional instruction.**

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3 Every person holding any civil office under the state or
4 any municipality therein and all persons required by law to
5 take an oath to uphold the Wyoming or United States
6 constitution as part of any employment or appointment,
7 whether compensated or not, shall receive no less than
8 three (3) hours of constitutional instruction prior to
9 assuming the duties of their office or beginning their
10 employment or appointment. The constitutional instruction
11 shall teach the fundamental principals of the United States
12 and Wyoming constitutions without interpretation and
13 consistent with the plain meaning of the constitutional
14 language drafted by the founding fathers.

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16 **Section 2.** That the Secretary of State shall endorse
17 the following statement on the proposed amendment:

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1 The adoption of this amendment will require that any
2 person holding a civil office in Wyoming and any person who
3 is required by law to take an oath to uphold the Wyoming or
4 United States constitution as part of their employment or
5 appointed position receive constitutional instruction. The
6 instruction will teach the fundamental principals of the
7 United States and Wyoming constitutions without
8 interpretation and consistent with the plain meaning of the
9 constitutional language drafted by the founding fathers.

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