HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. HJ0005

Sovereign authority against federal action.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Clem, Allen, Edmonds, Edwards, Halverson, Jaggi, Kroeker, Laursen, Miller and Reeder

A JOINT RESOLUTION

for

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing to amend the Wyoming Constitution to authorize the state to prohibit the use of state personnel and financial resources to enforce, administer or cooperate with federal action that is not consistent with the constitution of the United States.

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

Section 1. The following proposal to amend Wyoming Constitution, Article 1, Section 37 is proposed for submission to the electors of the State of Wyoming at the next general election for approval or rejection to become
valid as a part of the Constitution if ratified by a majority of the electors at the election:

Article 1, Section 37. Constitution of United States

supreme law of land.

(a) The State of Wyoming is an inseparable part of the federal union, and the constitution of the United States is the supreme law of the land to which all
government, state and federal, is subject.

(b) To protect the freedom of the people and to preserve the checks and balances of the constitution of the United States, this state or its citizens may exercise the sovereign authority of the state to restrict the actions of its personnel and the use of its financial resources to purposes that are consistent with the constitution of the United States by taking any action permissible under the laws of this state.

(c) If the citizens of this state or their representatives exercise their authority pursuant to this section, this state and all political subdivisions of this
state are prohibited from using any personnel or financial resources to enforce, administer or cooperate with a designated federal action or program.

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

This amendment would allow the state, through the people or their representatives, to prohibit the use of state personnel or financial resources to enforce, administer or cooperate with a federal action or program that is not consistent with the constitution of the United States.

(END)