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# SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 25

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary

## JOINT RESOLUTION

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri, an amendment repealing section 2 of article I of the Constitution of Missouri, and adopting one new section in lieu thereof relating to the definition of person.

*Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring therein:*

That at the next general election to be held in the  
2 state of Missouri, on Tuesday next following the first Monday  
3 in November, 2022, or at a special election to be called by  
4 the governor for that purpose, there is hereby submitted to  
5 the qualified voters of this state, for adoption or  
6 rejection, the following amendment to article I of the  
7 Constitution of the state of Missouri:

Section A. Section 2, article I, Constitution of Missouri,  
2 is repealed and one new section adopted in lieu thereof, to be  
3 known as section 2, to read as follows:

Section 2. That all constitutional government is  
2 intended to promote the general welfare of the people; that  
3 all persons have a natural right to life, liberty, the  
4 pursuit of happiness and the enjoyment of the gains of their  
5 own industry; that all persons are created equal and are  
6 entitled to equal rights and opportunity under the law; **that**  
7 **under this Constitution and the laws of this state, unless**  
8 **defined otherwise, the term "person" shall mean only human**  
9 **persons and legislatively-created or recognized judicial**  
10 **entities;** that to give security to these things is the

11 principal office of government, and that when government  
12 does not confer this security, it fails in its chief design.

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