

General Assembly

House Joint Resolution No. 217

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Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by: (GAE)

RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES PERMITTING CONGRESS TO REGULATE CHILD LABOR.

Resolved by this Assembly:

WHEREAS, in 1924, the Sixty-eighth Congress of the United States of
America, at its first session, passed House Joint Resolution 184 in both
houses, by a constitutional majority of two-thirds of each house, that the
following article should be proposed as an amendment to the
Constitution of the United States:

6 Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United 7 States of America in Congress assembled (two-thirds of each House 8 concurring therein), that the following article is proposed as an 9 amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which, when 10 ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states, shall be 11 valid to all intents and purposes as a part of the Constitution:

12 "ARTICLE _____

Section 1. The Congress shall have power to limit, regulate andprohibit the labor of persons under eighteen years of age.

Sec. 2. The power of the several States is unimpaired by this article
except that the operation of State laws shall be suspended to the extent
necessary to give effect to legislation enacted by the Congress."; and

18 WHEREAS, the proposal for the constitutional amendment is still 19 outstanding since Congress did not set a time limit for ratification, and 20 ratification by ten more states is required to add the amendment 21 proposed by House Joint Resolution 184 to the United States 22 Constitution; and

WHEREAS, in February of 1925, the Connecticut General Assembly
rejected ratification of House Joint Resolution 184; and

25 WHEREAS, the current Connecticut General Assembly desires to26 correct the mistake of its predecessor.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL
ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT, that said proposed
amendment to the Constitution of the United States is hereby ratified;
and

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Governor of this state forward 32 certified copies of this resolution to the President of the United States, 33 the President Pro Tempore of the United States Senate, the Speaker of 34 the United States House of Representatives and each member of 35 Connecticut's congressional delegation.

GAE Joint Favorable