

CACR 14 - AS INTRODUCED

2022 SESSION

22-2189

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CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION **14**

RELATING TO: unions.

PROVIDING THAT: all workers have the right to join a union.

SPONSORS: Rep. Labranche, Hills. 22; Rep. Gallagher, Merr. 15; Rep. Bouchard, Hills. 11;
Rep. Grassie, Straf. 11; Rep. Frost, Straf. 16; Rep. Laughton, Hills. 31; Rep.
Petrigno, Hills. 23

COMMITTEE: Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services

ANALYSIS

This constitutional amendment concurrent resolution establishes the right for workers to join a union in the state of New Hampshire.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struckthrough]~~
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Two

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION PROPOSING CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

RELATING TO: unions.

PROVIDING THAT: all workers have the right to join a union.

Be it Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, that the Constitution of New Hampshire be amended as follows:

1 I. That the first part of the constitution be amended by inserting after article 2-b the
2 following new article:

3 [Art.] 2-c. [Right to Unionize.] All workers within this state shall have the right to join a union.

4 II. That the above amendment proposed to the constitution be submitted to the qualified
5 voters of the state at the state general election to be held in November, 2022.

6 III. That the selectmen of all towns, cities, wards and places in the state are directed to
7 insert in their warrants for the said 2022 election an article to the following effect: To decide
8 whether the amendments of the constitution proposed by the 2022 session of the general court shall
9 be approved.

10 IV. That the wording of the question put to the qualified voters shall be:
11 "Are you in favor of amending the first part of the constitution by inserting after article 2-b a new
12 article to read as follows:

13 [Art.] 2-c. [Right to Unionize.] All workers within this state shall have the right to join a union."

14 V. That the secretary of state shall print the question to be submitted on a separate ballot or
15 on the same ballot with other constitutional questions. The ballot containing the question shall
16 include 2 squares next to the question allowing the voter to vote "Yes" or "No." If no cross is made in
17 either of the squares, the ballot shall not be counted on the question. The outside of the ballot shall
18 be the same as the regular official ballot except that the words "Questions Relating to Constitutional
19 Amendments proposed by the 2022 General Court" shall be printed in bold type at the top of the
20 ballot.

21 VI. That if the proposed amendment is approved by 2/3 of those voting on the amendment, it
22 becomes effective when the governor proclaims its adoption.

23 VII. Voters' Guide.

24 AT THE PRESENT TIME, the New Hampshire constitution does not provide
25 workers the right to join a union.

26 IF THE AMENDMENT IS ADOPTED, the New Hampshire constitution will provide
27 workers with the right to join a union.