



**100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**State of Illinois**

**2017 and 2018**

**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION**

**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT**

**HC0040**

Introduced , by Rep. Christian L. Mitchell

**SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:**

ILCON Art. X, Sec. 1

Proposes to amend the Education Article of the Illinois Constitution. Provides that a fundamental right (rather than goal) of the People of the State is the educational development of all persons to the limits of their capacities. Effective upon being declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act.

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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION  
 2 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
 4 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE  
 5 CONCURRING HEREIN, that there shall be submitted to the  
 6 electors of the State for adoption or rejection at the general  
 7 election next occurring at least 6 months after the adoption of  
 8 this resolution a proposition to amend Section 1 of Article X  
 9 of the Illinois Constitution as follows:

10 ARTICLE X  
 11 EDUCATION

12 (ILCON Art. X, Sec. 1)

13 SECTION 1. RIGHT ~~GOAL~~ - FREE SCHOOLS

14 A fundamental right ~~goal~~ of the People of the State is the  
 15 educational development of all persons to the limits of their  
 16 capacities.

17 The State shall provide for an efficient system of high  
 18 quality public educational institutions and services.  
 19 Education in public schools through the secondary level shall  
 20 be free. There may be such other free education as the General  
 21 Assembly provides by law.

22 The State has the primary responsibility for financing the  
 23 system of public education.

1 (Source: Illinois Constitution.)

2 SCHEDULE

3 This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being  
4 declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois  
5 Constitutional Amendment Act.