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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF ARIZONA; AMENDING ARTICLE II, CONSTITUTION OF ARIZONA, BY ADDING SECTION 38; RELATING TO NATURAL RESOURCES.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Arizona,
2 the Senate concurring:

3 1. Article II, Constitution of Arizona, is proposed to be amended
4 by adding section 38 as follows if approved by the voters and on
5 proclamation of the Governor:

6 38. Natural resources and the public estate

7 SECTION 38. ALL PEOPLE OF THIS STATE, REGARDLESS OF
8 RACE, WEALTH, ETHNICITY OR OTHER IDENTITY, SHALL HAVE AN
9 INHERENT, INALIENABLE RIGHT TO A CLEAN AND HEALTHY
10 ENVIRONMENT, INCLUDING CLEAN AIR AND WATER AND THE
11 PRESERVATION OF THE NATURAL, SCENIC, HISTORIC AND AESTHETIC
12 VALUES OF THE ENVIRONMENT. THIS STATE'S PUBLIC NATURAL
13 RESOURCES ARE THE COMMON PROPERTY OF ALL THE PEOPLE, INCLUDING
14 GENERATIONS YET TO COME. AS TRUSTEE OF THESE RESOURCES, THIS
15 STATE SHALL CONSERVE AND MAINTAIN THEM FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL
16 THE PEOPLE.

17 2. The Secretary of State shall submit this proposition to the
18 voters at the next general election as provided by article XXI,
19 Constitution of Arizona.