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CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION **24**

RELATING TO: the right to educate children.

PROVIDING THAT: parents and guardians have a right to direct the education of their children.

SPONSORS: Rep. Granger, Straf. 2; Rep. Beaulier, Graf. 1; Rep. Layon, Rock. 13; Rep. Thibault, Merr. 25; Rep. Notter, Hills. 12; Rep. J. Aron, Sull. 4; Rep. Potenza, Straf. 19; Rep. Korzen, Coos 7; Rep. Sabourin dit Choiniere, Rock. 30

COMMITTEE: Education Policy and Administration

ANALYSIS

This constitutional amendment concurrent resolution amends the constitution to include a right for parents and legal guardians to direct the education of their children.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Six

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION PROPOSING CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

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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 of Parental Privacy in Education.] All parents and legal guardians, being the
4 primary educators of their children, have the right to direct the education of their children, and this
5 right shall not be infringed.

6 II. That the above amendment proposed to the constitution be submitted to the qualified
7 voters of the state at the state general election to be held in November, 2026.

8 III. That the selectmen of all towns, cities, wards and places in the state are directed to
9 insert in their warrants for the said 2026 election an article to the following effect: To decide
10 whether the amendments of the constitution proposed by the 2026 session of the general court shall
11 be approved.

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

15 [Art.] 2-c. [Right of Parental Privacy in Education.] All parents and legal guardians, being the
16 primary educators of their children, have the right to direct the education of their children, and this
17 right shall not be infringed.”

18 V. That the secretary of state shall print the question to be submitted on a separate ballot
19 with other constitutional questions or on the official ballot. The ballot containing the question shall
20 include 2 ovals next to the question allowing the voter to vote “Yes” or “No.” If no oval is marked, the
21 ballot shall not be counted on the question. The outside of the ballot shall be the same as the regular
22 official ballot except that the words “Questions Relating to Constitutional Amendments proposed by
23 the 2026 General Court” shall be printed in bold type at the top of the ballot.

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

26 VII. Voters' Guide.

27 AT THE PRESENT TIME, the constitution provides no right for parents and legal
28 guardians to educate their children.

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1 IF THE AMENDMENT IS ADOPTED, the constitution will provide a right for
2 parents and legal guardians to educate their children.