



**101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**State of Illinois**

**2019 and 2020**

**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION**

**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT**

**HC0040**

Introduced 2/18/2020, by Rep. Ryan Spain - Avery Bourne - Thomas M. Bennett, Daniel Swanson, Michael T. Marron, et al.

**SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:**

ILCON Art. IX, Sec. 12 new

Proposes to amend the Revenue Article of the Illinois Constitution. Provides that no moneys, including bond proceeds, derived from taxes, fees, excises, or licenses relating to registration, licensing, carrying, or possession of firearms or firearm ammunition or related to the use of firearms or firearm ammunition shall be expended for purposes other than the following: the costs of administering and enforcing laws related to firearms and firearm ammunition; and, with respect to local governments, other firearm and firearm ammunition regulation purposes as authorized by law. Provides that the costs of administering laws related to firearms and firearm ammunition shall be limited to direct program expenses related to the following: the enforcement of firearm and firearm ammunition regulation laws; the safety of persons from unlawful use of firearms or firearm ammunition; or the regulation of the carrying of firearms. Provides that the limitations to the costs of administering laws related to firearms and firearm ammunition shall also include direct program expenses related to workers' compensation claims for death or injury of employees enforcing firearm and firearm ammunition laws and investigations for improving the safety of the employees enforcing those laws. Provides that none of the revenues described in these provisions shall, by transfer, offset, or otherwise, be diverted to any purpose other than those described in these provisions. Provides that investment income that is attributable to the investment of moneys in funds used for the regulation of firearms and firearm ammunition shall be retained in those funds for the uses specified in these provisions. Effective upon being declared adopted.

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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION  
 2 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
 4 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE  
 5 SENATE 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 Article IX of the  
 9 Illinois Constitution by adding Section 12 as follows:

10 ARTICLE IX  
 11 REVENUE

12 (ILCON Art. IX, Sec. 12 new)

13 SECTION 12. FIREARM REGULATION FUNDS.

14 (a) No moneys, including bond proceeds, derived from taxes,  
 15 fees, excises, or licenses relating to registration,  
 16 licensing, carrying, or possession of firearms or firearm  
 17 ammunition or related to the use of firearms or firearm  
 18 ammunition shall be expended for purposes other than as  
 19 provided in subsections (b) and (c).

20 (b) Funds described in subsection (a) may be expended for  
 21 the following: the costs of administering and enforcing laws  
 22 related to firearms and firearm ammunition; and, with respect  
 23 to local governments, other firearm and firearm ammunition

1 regulation purposes as authorized by law.

2 (c) The costs of administering laws related to firearms and  
3 firearm ammunition shall be limited to direct program expenses  
4 related to the following: the enforcement of firearm and  
5 firearm ammunition regulation laws; the safety of persons from  
6 unlawful use of firearms or firearm ammunition; or the  
7 regulation of the carrying of firearms.

8 The limitations to the costs of administering laws related  
9 to firearms and firearm ammunition under this subsection (c)  
10 shall also include direct program expenses related to workers'  
11 compensation claims for death or injury of employees enforcing  
12 firearm and firearm ammunition laws and investigations for  
13 improving the safety of the employees enforcing those laws.

14 (d) None of the revenues described in subsection (a) of  
15 this Section shall, by transfer, offset, or otherwise, be  
16 diverted to any purpose other than those described in  
17 subsections (b) and (c) of this Section.

18 (e) Investment income that is attributable to the  
19 investment of moneys in funds used for the regulation of  
20 firearms and firearm ammunition shall be retained in those  
21 funds for the uses specified in subsection (b).

22 SCHEDULE

23 This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being  
24 declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois  
25 Constitutional Amendment Act.